



Brownfields 2005 Grant Fact Sheet

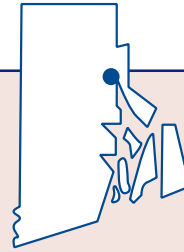
*Johnson & Wales
University,
Providence, RI*

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

Johnson & Wales University was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Johnson & Wales is a diverse university of 11,227 students, faculty, and staff. The university has a campus in Providence (population 173,618), which is a federal Enterprise Zone. Approximately 45 percent of Providence residents are minorities, and 24 percent live in poverty. Much of the university's Harborside Campus is situated on a former shipyard where "Liberty Ships" were built in World War II. The target site, which abuts the campus, is in Providence along its border with the City of Cranston



Cleanup Grant

New
2005

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected Johnson & Wales University for a brownfields cleanup grant. Grant funds will be used for remediating contaminated soil in the former train maintenance pit area of the 14.7-acre Parcel 7 at 250 Shipyard Street in Providence. The property has been used for plating, and for repairing and washing passenger trains. Soil contaminants include arsenic, lead, and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Funds also will be used to cap the site and conduct community outreach activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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401-598-4700

The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

(population 77,606). The site is part of a 100-acre parcel that the university plans to redevelop into a campus with student residential facilities, walking and jogging trails, field and track facilities, and public greenspace along Narragansett Bay.