# WHAT IS A BROWNFIELD?

# YOUR PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT!



A brownfield is a property, where the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of the property may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

Brownfield properties are often abandoned, with owners no longer maintaining the property or paying taxes. These properties become eyesores that promote illegal dumping, cause degradation of the environment and present potential health risks to residents in the area.

Do you know of a property in Jacksonville that might be considered a Brownfield?

Does the property have potential for future business or recreational use?



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BROWNFIELDS
ASSESSMENT
GRANT PROGRAM





# CITY OF JACKSONVILLE **BROWNFIELDS GRANT PROGRAM**



The City of Jacksonville received \$400,000 of grant funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to assess brownfield properties (\$200,000 for hazardous substances and \$200,000 for petroleum).

Funds can be used for:

**PHASE I Environmental Site Assessments** 

**PHASE II Environmental Site Assessments** 

Clean-Up Planning



## WHAT IS THE MISSION OF THE PROGRAM?

To develop a program for the identification, assessment, and redevelopment of brownfield sites;

To raise awareness of business owners. developers, landowners, and lenders regarding economic incentives and innovative financing mechanisms for redevelopment;

- To bring citizens, environmental regulatory agencies, consultants, developers, landowners, and lenders to the table to redevelop brownfield sites;
- To promote community education and communication

## WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE PROGRAM?

#### **Protecting the Environment**

Addressing brownfields to promote the health and well being of the community and environment

#### **Promoting Partnerships**



Enhancing collaboration and communication essential to facilitate brownfields cleanup and reuse.

### **Strengthening the Marketplace**



Providing financial and technical assistance to bolster the private market.

#### **Sustaining Reuse**



Redeveloping brownfields to enhance a community's long term quality of life.

## WHY IS THE BROWNFIELD PROGRAM **IMPORTANT TO MY NEIGHBORHOOD?**

The redevelopment of brownfield properties in your neighborhood can:

- Increase local tax bases
- Facilitate job growth
- Help utilize existing infrastructure
- Remove development pressure on undeveloped/open land
- Improve & protect the environment

## WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

Find out if your property or another local property is eligible for funding under the City of Jacksonville Brownfields Assessment Grant.

Businesses can take advantage of:

- **Voluntary Clean-Up Tax Credits**
- **Job Creation Tax Credits**
- **Lender & End User Liability Protection**

## **HOW CAN I BECOME INVOLVED?**

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