

Brownfields 2008 Grant Fact Sheet

The Salvation Army, Tacoma, WA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders 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 this 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

The Salvation Army was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Located in Pierce County in west-central Washington, Tacoma (population 196,501) is the third largest city in the state and a regional trade center. About 13 percent of Tacoma families live below the poverty level. The Salvation Army Joyful Noise Child Care Center, located next to the targeted cleanup site, serves neighborhood children from economically distressed families. Site cleanup will reduce environmental hazards at the former service station property and is expected to facilitate its redevelopment. The Salvation Army plans to expand its child care services onto the site in order



Cleanup Grant



\$117,900 for petroleum

EPA has selected the Salvation Army for a brownfields cleanup grant. Petroleum grant funds will be used to clean up the Salvation Army Child Care Expansion site at 1111 South Union Avenue in Tacoma. The site was first developed as an automotive service station in 1936 and is currently vacant. Site soil is contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons. Grant funds also will be used to support 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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to serve more families in need. It also plans to expand the playground area to add greenspace to the neighborhood.