

Funding Available – Past, Present, Future

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- More than **\$100 billion in infrastructure investments** and funding opportunities in areas such as:
 - Environmental Remediation
 - Transportation
 - Broadband
 - Clean water
 - Energy infrastructure
 - Capacity Building
 - Regional Investments
 - ARC ARISE

Inflation Reduction Act

- \$250 billion Authority for Redeveloping Fossil Assets
- \$3 billion for Environment and Climate Justice
- \$20 billion in Green House Gas Reduction Fund
- Bonus Tax Credits for Clean Energy Projects in Energy Communities
- § 48C Tax Credits for Clean Energy Manufacturing and Industrial Decarbonization
- USDA RD Clean Energy

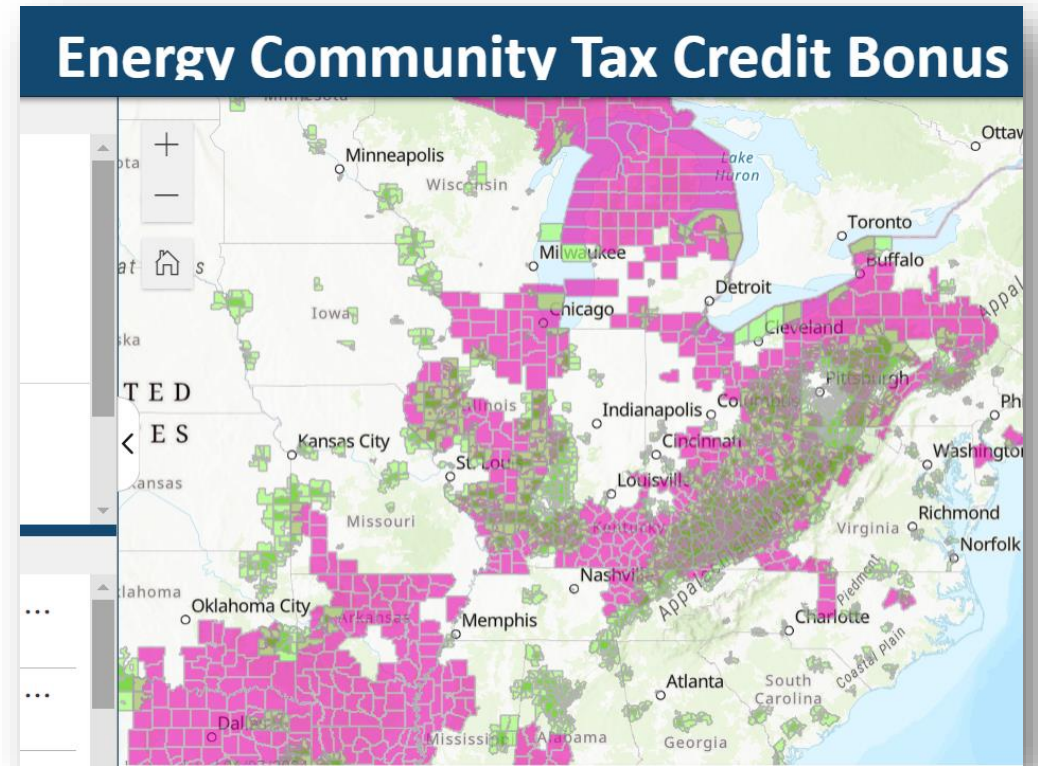
Annual Appropriations

- Workers
 - DOL, ARC, EDA, EPA
- Economic Development
 - ARC, EDA, SBA, USDA
- Environmental Remediation
 - DOI, EPA
- Housing
 - USDA, HUD, DOE
- Social Services
 - HHS, ED, DOL, EPA

Future Funding – 2025+

Significant funding to be available in future years

- Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund
 - National Clean Investment Fund
 - Clean Communities Investment Accelerator
 - Solar for All
- Tax Credits
 - Renewable Energy Investment Tax Credit
 - Energy Communities Tax Credit (10%)
- EPA/State Funds – Water Infrastructure
 - Clean Water
 - Drinking Water



Energy Community Transition Playbook and Stakeholder Engagement



Technical assistance to two communities to support each community in their goals toward energy transition.

Two in-person workshops with those same two RRTs to discuss best practices, lessons learned, and other experiences.



Develop a playbook for use by any energy community in the midst of transition planning and implementation.

The playbook will include common approaches for addressing legacy pollution, community revitalization, workforce, and infrastructure reinvestment.

Energy Communities AmeriCorps

Adding Capacity to Support Communities and Workers

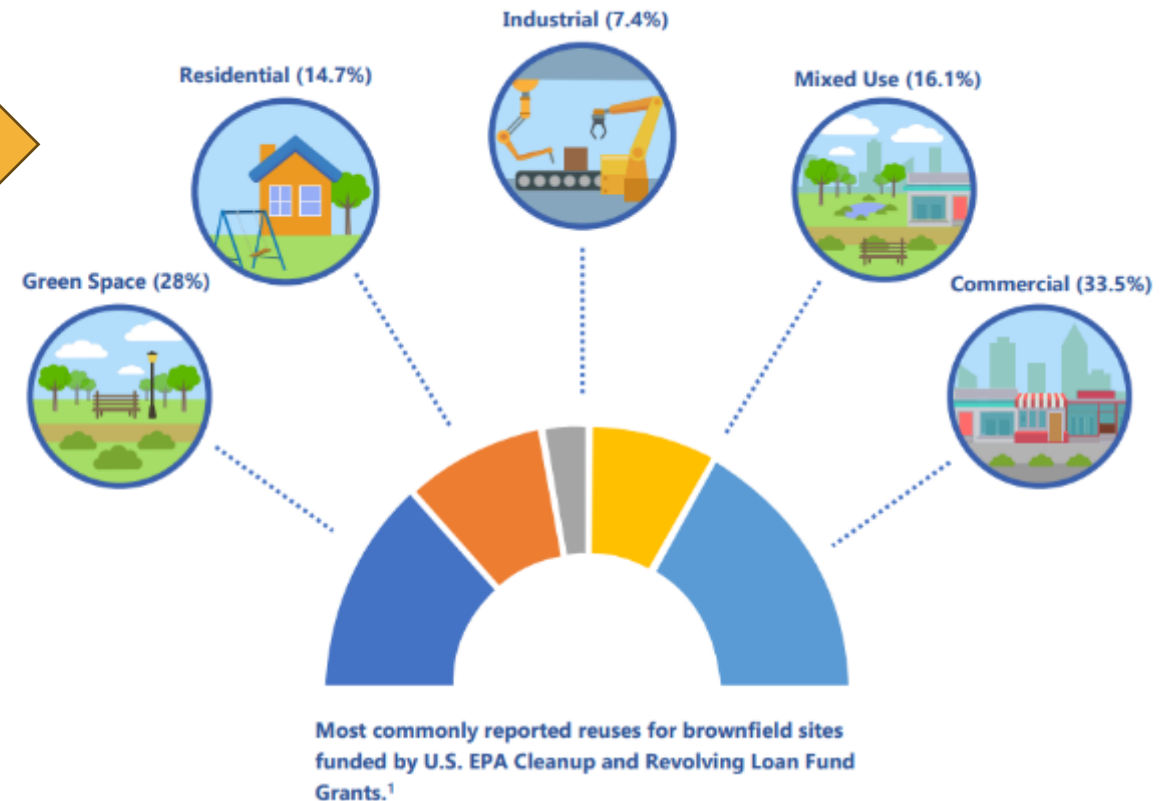
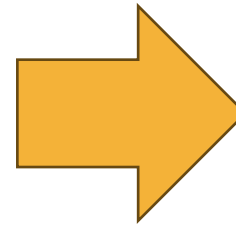
- **\$8 million initiative** to support community-centered activities to revitalize low-capacity energy communities.
- **150 full-time AmeriCorps VISTA** members working in RRT geographies.
- Builds on established partnership between **Conservation Legacy**, AmeriCorps and DOI OSMRE
- Volunteers will **build capacity** through writing grants and Community Benefits Plans, asset mapping, volunteer mobilization, outreach on tax credits (e.g. Direct Pay), community engagement, data analysis, and program development.

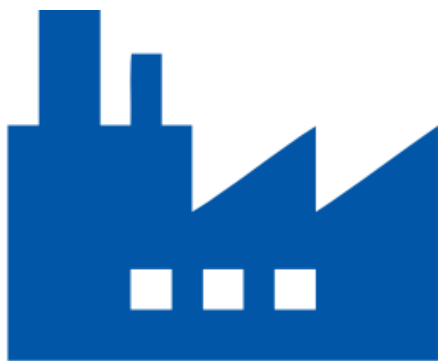


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**Recruitment open now for
positions starting in 2025!**

Legacy Contamination – Investment





BROWNFIELD / ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS

The site has been established as a brownfield based on the presence of the potential presence of contamination to exist on the site from prior uses.



WILLING LAND OWNER

The availability of the site for sale or the willingness of the site's current owner to participate in the planning process.



MARKET AND ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY

Understand realistic projections and opportunities for the site based on current and future economic market trends.



SITE CONTEXT

Is the site located in an area of strategic importance where its redevelopment could have the most impact?



FEEDBACK FROM PUBLIC

Which sites does the public see as the highest priority locations? Are there other sites that should be considered?

Brownfields Support Available

- EPA's Brownfields Program offers several resources that can assist communities struggling with brownfield assessment, cleanup, or redevelopment.
 - EPA's Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) technical assistance is available to promote environmental investigation and/or reuse planning.
 - Available through EPA's 10 Regional Offices
 - EPA's Land Revitalization Program helps communities turn challenging collections of brownfield sites into productive, sustainable, and safe properties.
 - Coal plant reuse and redevelopment tools
<https://www.epa.gov/land-revitalization/land-revitalization-coal-plant-reuse-and-redevelopment>
 - EPA's Brownfields Program provides competitive grants for brownfields assessment, cleanup, revolving loans, and environmental job training.
 - Workforce Development Grants: **Summer 2025**
 - Multipurpose, Assessment, and Cleanup grants open for applications until **November 14, 2024**.
- For more information on EPA's Brownfields grants and technical assistance programs:
<https://www.epa.gov/brownfields>

COAL PLANT DECOMMISSIONING FINANCING CLEANUP AND REDEVELOPMENT

Many coal-fired power plants are expected to close in the coming years. Coal plant communities are faced with potentially long-term job and tax revenue loss, legacy environmental contamination and the need for new economic opportunities.

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities and other stakeholders to work together to assess, safely clean up and sustainably reuse brownfields. The revitalization of brownfields properties, including former power plants, can create benefits for communities.

Understanding the costs associated with the decommissioning, remediation and redevelopment planning for a former power plant is an important aspect of a community revitalization plan. Depending on the community's vision for the property's end use, the costs of decommissioning, demolition, remediation and redevelopment can be substantial. With well-estimated project costs, a project team and the community can better identify the best potential funding sources for meeting environmental cleanup challenges. In addition, a good sense of potential project costs will inform decision-making at each phase of the project. Although costs may appear to be prohibitive at first, several financial mechanisms may be available to support different phases of the assessment, cleanup and redevelopment process.

EPA prepared this fact sheet to help communities that may be affected by the closure of coal-fired power plants. Fact sheets covering stakeholder identification and facilitation and plant decommissioning, as well as remediation and redevelopment, are also available.

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT THROUGHOUT

Shut down Decommissioning Remediation Redevelopment

Planning grants for alternative leases, Securities and asset encumbrance, No investment funding, Job training grants for remediation, Brownfields Assessment grants, Infrastructure grants, Remediation Cleanup grants, Underground Storage Tank Cleanup funds, Job training grants for workers at redevelopment sites, Energy efficiency and renewable energy grants.

EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

Coal Plant Decommissioning Financing Cleanup and Redevelopment



Accessing Brownfield / Revitalization Resources

EPA Technical Assistance for Brownfields – Regional Third-Party Provider

State Brownfields Program and Grants

EPA Regional Brownfields Program Contacts
Land Revitalization Technical Assistance
Targeted Site Assistance

How-to guides, case studies, and best practices available on EPA websites

EPA Brownfields Grants: New or Existing

