

Brownfield Gap Program

Brownfield Gap Program (BGP) provides small grants to nonprofits for environmental assessment and clean-up of property in Hennepin County through funding from the Environmental Response Fund (ERF).

This fund is intended to be used for unexpected environmental issues, to prepare for a larger funding request in the County funding cycle, or to identify/clarify and, in some cases, remediate suspected environmental concerns.

Projects will benefit the community through the development or clean-up of greenspace, recreation centers, affordable housing, education centers, community centers, and neighborhood level economic development opportunities.

Examples of past projects include:

- Shasta site: This site adjacent to the Midtown Greenway was to be planted with native plants by volunteers from Longfellow Community Council, but the property owner, Hennepin County Rail Authority, was concerned about possible arsenic and lead contamination. BGP funded activities included Phase 2 investigation and VIC program enrollment. The project was able to go forward with minor changes in planting procedures.
- Archdale Apartments: When Aeon Homes discovered an underground storage tank during renovation, BGP funded the removal of the tank, UST closure and sampling.
- Highpoint Center for Printmaking: After purchasing a building to expand operations, a vapor intrusion problem from an off-site source was identified. BGP funded activities included development of a response action plan and remediation.
- American Indian Community Development Corporation: BGP provided funding to perform Phase 1 and 2 assessments on parcels for a proposed housing development.
- Community Gardens: Performed investigative work on a number lots targeted by community groups and/or CPED to be used as community gardens.

Applications are accepted - and grants are made - on a rolling basis. We look forward to working with you. Please send completed applications and direct questions to Margo Geffen or Brett Costain.

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Brownfield Gap Program Application

Contact Information:

Organization:

Organization status (nonprofit, 501c3, etc):

Name and title of contact:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Address (street, city, zip):

Project/Site:

Name:

Project location/address:

Site size (acres) and building size (ft):

Current and Proposed zoning:

Current owner:

Current use (include # of structures/tenants if any):

Proposed use:

- Describe the redevelopment project (please attach any such information such as map, photos, site design or building plans):
- How will this project support or benefit the surrounding neighborhood?

What reason do you have to believe that there could be contamination on this site?

- If environmental investigations have occurred, please provide the report or summary of investigation results.

How will the full project be financed? Discuss the status of financing for the project, including:

- Amounts secured and sources:
- Potential sources:
- Contingencies:

Grant request amount and use:

Please submit the following:

- A current annual or financial report for the applicant.
- A City Council resolution approving the project.
- Any relevant information such as previous environmental reports, etc.

Signature: *Application must be signed by an officer or individual authorized to sign on behalf of the organization.*

Signature

Title

Name

Signature Date