Webinar

Path to brownfield redevelopment: CBI’s Municipal Assistance Program

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Connecticut Brownfields Initiative (CBI)

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“To be the foremost program for education, technical assistance and networking opportunities on brownfields redevelopment in the State of Connecticut.”

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CBI Advisory Board and Professor Maria Chrysochoou, Director, Connecticut Brownfields Initiative
Outline of today’s webinar

• CBI’s Municipal Assistance Program
• Overview of brownfield projects
• Application process and deadlines
• Q&A
How can CBI help?

**Fall:** Lecture and project course  
**Spring:** Practicum

Brownfields Corps - Service Learning

Municipal Assistance Program
Municipal Assistance Program (MAP)

**Brownfield Projects**

- **Fall Semester**
  - **GRANT SUPPORT**
    - EPA and DECD grants for brownfields assessment and cleanup

- **Spring Semester**
  - **BROWNFIELDS INVENTORIES & PRIORITIZATION LISTS**

- **Spring Semester**
  - **TECHNICAL SUPPORT**
    - Preliminary Phase I investigations, sampling plans

- **Spring Semester**
  - **REDEVELOPMENT OPTIONS & OUTREACH**
### Types of Available Grants

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<th>Assessment Grants</th>
<th>RLF Grants</th>
<th>Cleanup Grants</th>
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<td><strong>Common Eligible Grant Activities</strong></td>
<td>inventory, characterize &amp; assess sites; revitalization planning; site-specific cleanup &amp; reuse planning; community involvement</td>
<td>capitalize an RLF program; provide loans and subgrants to carry out cleanup activities</td>
<td>cleanup activities, reuse planning, and community involvement</td>
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<td><strong>Applicant Eligibility</strong></td>
<td>Government, Quasi Government, Regional Council, Tribe, Nonprofit Organization (501(c)(3)), Qualified Community Development Entity (45D(c)(1))</td>
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<td><strong>Amount of Funding Available for Sites</strong></td>
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<td>Community-wide</td>
<td>Up to $300,000</td>
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<td>Site-specific</td>
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<td><strong>Anticipated # of Awards</strong></td>
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**Follow-up webinar on grants June 2020**

FY 2020 Brownfields Grant Guidelines: *A Detailed Review of the Multipurpose, Assessment, and Cleanup (MAC) Grant Guidelines*
DECD Grants

- Brownfield Municipal Grant Program though the DECD Office of Brownfield Remediation and Development
- Assessment, remediation and hazardous materials or waste disposal
- Eligible Applicants: Municipalities and economic development agencies
- Up to $4 million (based on previous rounds)
- Upcoming tentative dates for grant submission: Aug/Sep 2020, Apr/May 2021 & Oct/Nov 2021
What can you expect the students to do?

- Narrative Information Sheet
- Narrative Proposal (need input from you to put together leveraging resources, tasks, community partners, programmatic capability, past performance)
- CBI will contact DEEP to provide you the State letter (for EPA grants)
A team of CBI students worked on a EPA community-wide assessment grant for the Town of Stafford. The Town was awarded with $300K to conduct:

- Site inventory and prioritization
- Community engagement
- Phase I & II Environmental Site Assessments
- Cleanup planning
- Site reuse/redevelopment planning

https://www.explorestaffordct.com/brownfields
Inventories & Prioritization lists

Detailed lists and reports:
- Location & acreage
- Buildings
- Tax status
- Flood zones
- Opportunity zones
- Environmental Conditions and status (Phase I)

Lists can be used for Sustainable CT credit under action 1.1

Spring 2019: Town of Hamden
Brownfields Inventory
Mentor Fuss & O’Neill

Spring 2020
Town of Stratford

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<th>Site Name</th>
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Technical projects

Spring 2019: City of Hartford
Phase II Scope of Work
Mentor Langan

Spring 2019: Town of Colchester
Phase I Site Investigation
Mentor GZA

Sampling plans and preliminary cost estimates

Preliminary Phase I Environmental Site Investigations (Record review, site reconnaissance)
Redevelopment options & Outreach

Spring 2019: Flyer designed by student team for vapor intrusion testing for a former dry cleaners in Brookfield Mentor TRC
Who will oversee the student work?

CBI team includes

- Dr. Maria Chrysochoou, Professor and Department Head, Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Dr. Nefeli Bompoti, Assistant Research Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Jackie Sidman, Teaching Assistant, Graduate student in Civil and Environmental Engineering
- CBI partners (DECD, DEEP, industry)
Who can apply?

• Municipalities
• Regional Planning Organizations
• State-sanctioned Redevelopment Agencies
• Other non-profits and non-profit community development entities
What is the applicant commitment?

- Assign a contact person who will communicate with the students and CBI staff and be available for periodic meetings and calls
- Provide the necessary access and resources needed for the project (i.e., access to town files and information, connecting students to the necessary departments, providing input on the technical aspects of the proposal)
- Meet with CBI team before the beginning of the semester
- Meet with students to provide resources and discuss project progress
What is the deadline for applications?

Fall’20: Beginning of July 2020

Spring’21: Beginning of December 2020
How can you apply?

• Online at https://cbi.engr.uconn.edu/for-communities/
• Page includes full RFP and FAQs
• Fill out Google Form

Stay tuned for RFP opening in late May
Are you interested in applying to CBI’s Municipal Assistance Program?

- Yes, I am interested in applying for a EPA or DECD grant
- Yes, I am interested in other technical projects
- Yes, but I need help to determine the project
- No
- Not sure, need more information
Q&A

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