

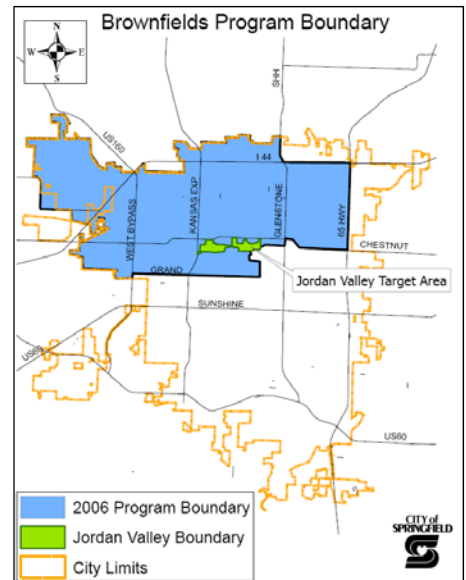
City of Springfield

Brownfields Grant Applications

The City of Springfield is making application for two grants from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to conduct environmental assessments and cleanup to be used primarily within the Jordan Valley Target Area and Center City. The program boundary does allow for assessments to be conducted based on a site selection process within the brownfields eligible area (*see boundary map*).

Copies of the applications will be available for public review and comment at a public meeting on Monday November 20th at 5:30 in City Hall, Council Chambers and at the Department of Planning and Development Office.

Background Information: Springfield has received five (5) assessment grants since 1999 totaling \$850,000. These grants have resulted in over 60 environmental assessments on properties either targeted for city acquisition in Jordan Valley Park or to facilitate private redevelopment in the center city area. There is a Hazardous Waste assessment grant still active and being used to complete assessments in the future West Meadows of Jordan Valley Park. This year the City also received a Petroleum Assessment grant in the amount of \$200,000. It is necessary to apply for a new Hazardous Waste assessment grant now to have money for program continuation. The city will also apply for a Revolving Loan Fund to carry out environmental clean-up activities.



HAZARDOUS WASTE ASSESSMENT GRANT: This \$200,000 grant will provide assessments for properties contaminated with hazardous waste other than petroleum. It is anticipated that 12 properties will be assessed with this grant to help facilitate redevelopment.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND: This \$1,000,000 grant will create an environmental cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). The RLF is granted to the city by EPA and will allow the city to lend money to private parties, lend to itself, or grant up to 40 percent of the funds to non-profit entities for environmental cleanup. The proposed grant requires a 20 percent match. The matching funds will be provided partially through in-kind expenditures with any remainder being provided by the borrower or potential sub-grantee. Decisions regarding terms of the proposed loans are made by the city. This loan fund will apply in the brownfields program area. The Revolving Loan Fund will be administered similar to the Small Business Development Loan Program.

For more information
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