

# **Brownfields 2020 Cleanup Grant Fact Sheet**

## **Aunt Katie's Community Garden-Dothan, Alabama**

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. The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, as amended by the Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development Act of 2018, was passed to help states and communities around the country clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through five competitive grant programs: Multipurpose Grants, Assessment Grants, Revolving Loan Fund Grants, Cleanup Grants, and Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

EPA has selected the City of Dothan for a Brownfields Cleanup Grant. Grant funds will be used to clean up the former electrical substation located at the corner of Linden and Whiddon Streets. The cleanup site consists of a 0.15-acre vacant parcel that was developed and used as an electrical substation from 1961 until about 1997 and has remained vacant since that time. The site is contaminated with inorganic contaminants, semi-volatile organic compounds, and PCBs. Grant funds also are also being 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](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields) (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>). EPA Region 4 Brownfields Team (404) 562-8604 or City of Dothan: 334-615-3415.

### **Tasks Completed To Date:**

**Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), February 2018.**

**Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, August 2018.**

**Grant Award From EPA**

**EPA Kick-Off Meeting and Supplemental Site Investigation, August 2020.**

**Community Meeting at Aunt Katie's Garden, November 2020.**

**Enrollment of Site into Alabama Voluntary Cleanup Program, December 2020.**

**Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) Approval of Cleanup Plan, January 2021.**

### **Tasks Ongoing or To Be Completed:**

**Public Notice Period for Approved Cleanup Plan, January 20 through February 19, 2021.**

**Cleanup Work Scheduled to Begin, March 1, 2021.**

**Cleanup Work Scheduled for Completion, March 15, 2021.**