

## OER Grants for Community Brownfield Planning & Redevelopment

OER's community **grants** can help **community-based organizations** redevelop brownfields into productive, healthy sites that serve neighborhood needs.

### How much are the grants?

- \$25,000 for an area, or
- \$10,000 for a single site

### Who is eligible?

- Community-based organizations in New York City
- Projects must be located in New York City
- Projects must have concerns regarding environmental contamination

### What can the grants be used for?

Grants can be used for various pre-development activities that advance a community's vision for its neighborhood.

Examples include:

- Identifying and selecting sites
- Legal or financial analysis
- Developing reuse plans
- Community outreach & engagement
- Marketing surveys
- Marketing materials
- Developing specifications or RFPs
- Engaging with property owners
- Environmental site assessments (Phase I & II)
- Gaining site access
- Conceptual site plans
- Design of community space
- Site design
- Renderings
- Increasing capacity as a development partner
- Planning for site cleanup and redevelopment

### What are the CBO's obligations?

- Complete grant application and meet with OER to discuss
- Delineate area of focus for the grant
- Propose activities to be conducted and budget
- Sign a grant agreement with OER
- Hold a community meeting
- Do the work and share deliverables with OER
- Submit 2-5-page planning report
- Join and update project page in EPIC Community portal

### How do I get more information?

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