Notes from the Environmental Workforce Professional Learning Community (PLC) -6/1/2022

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1. National events and happenings

Guidelines posted for FY 2023 Brownfields Job Training (BJT) Grants

EPA has posted announced the availability of funds and solicits applications from eligible entities, including nonprofit organizations, to deliver <u>Brownfields Job Training (BJT)</u> programs that recruit, train, and place local, unemployed and under-employed residents with the skills needed to secure full-time employment across a spectrum of brownfield-related activities. **The application submission deadline is August 2nd, 2022.**

- Apply for funding (Guidelines)
- Frequently Asked Questions

Outreach Webinar Wednesday, June 15, 2022 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM EDT, EPA will host an outreach webinar for interested applicants. A recording of the live webinar will be made available on the FY23 Brownfields Job Training Grant Solicitation Page.

Webinar Access Information On June 15, 2025 shortly before 2:00 PM EDT, please <u>click here to join the live event</u>. The online room will open at approximately 1:55 PM EDT. Prior registration is not required.

If that above link does not work, please copy and paste this URL into your web browser: <u>https://usepa.zoomgov.com/j/1602297732</u>

With an increase in funding from \$3.8 M to \$12 M from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), EPA's Brownfields Job Training Grant Program is refocusing the competition on training activities that support assessment, cleanup, and preparation of brownfield sites for reuse. Here is a summary of announced changes to the EPA Brownfields Job Training Program.

- The former Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Program will now be called the Brownfields Job Training Program (BJT).
- EPA anticipates awarding approximately 25 Brownfields Job Training grants at amounts up to \$500,000 per award. Please note, applicants cannot submit multiple applications under this solicitation.
- Due to the larger award amount, OBLR will extend the grant performance period up to 5 years.
- Transportation stipends, reasonable stipends to compensate trainees for participating in training and reasonable child-care subsidies are now eligible uses of grant funds.
- Applicants that were selected for an FY 2022 Job Training Grant are eligible to apply for FY 2023 grants.
- Supplemental funding is not available for existing Brownfield Job Training Grant recipients. However, existing grant recipients interested in a larger grant may compete for an additional grant maintaining two grants concurrently.
- EPA will maintain an annual Brownfield Job Training Grant competition allowing unfunded applicants to reapply the following year.
- EPA expects that funded applicants will advance the Biden Administration's Justice40 priorities which promises to deliver at least 40 percent of the overall benefits from key federal investments to disadvantaged communities.
- Funding will be available solely through EPA's Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization and under the authorities of CERCLA §104(k)(7) which provides funding opportunities for training in cleanup and remediation activities. Other funding sources from other EPA program offices will not be available to fund this program. Training courses proposed by applicants as part of their curriculum must have a nexus to brownfields-related work to be eligible for funding. Section IC (page 3) of the FY23 Brownfields Job Training Grant Guidelines presents eligible uses of grant funds.
- The activities to be funded under the BJT training program support EPA's FY 2022-2026 Strategic Plan. All applications must be for projects that support a goal to Safeguard and Revitalize Communities and Clean Up and Restore Land for Productive Uses and Healthy Communities.

FY23 Guidelines follow a format similar to the FY22 competition.

- Narrative Information Sheet (Limited to 3 pages)
 - Narrative (Limited to 12 pages)
 - Community Need
 - Training Program Description
 - Budget
 - Program Structure, Anticipated Outputs and Outcomes
 - Partnerships
 - Leveraging
 - Programmatic Capability
 - Attachments (Limited to 15 pages)
- Other factors

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Brownfields 2022 August 16-19, 2022 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Cosponsored by the EPA and ICMA

At Brownfields 2022, you will learn about the unprecedented Bipartisan Infrastructure Law's \$1.5 billion investment in your communities through the EPA Brownfields Program, and directly interact with the nation's leading brownfield practitioners. https://brownfields2022.org/

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2022 Environmental Justice Caucus Monday, August 15, 2022, 5:00 – 6:30pm

An important component of the National Brownfields Training Conference is the Environmental Justice Caucus. The Caucus is a locally driven event where people and organizations involved in Environmental Justice convene, share ideas, build relationships, and communicate directly with the EPA.

The EJ Caucus is a pre-conference event.

The Caucus is open to anyone, and participants do not have to be registered for the conference <u>https://brownfields2022.org/environmental-justice-caucus/</u>

2. HMTRI Announcements

HMTRI Grant Recipient Directory Scan

HMTRI is in the process of updating the Job Training (JT) Grant Recipient Directory. Results from this year's directory will be used to develop a variety of topic specific publications to be distributed among national employers, program supporters, EPA, and the JT community. Using information from the Grantee Directory, topic specific reports will include the following.

- A grantee directory to facilitate networking and information exchange among JT programs and employers
- Graduation dates and the number of students available for employment
- Training and certifications offered by various programs
- A social media directory providing users with internet links established to communicate with stakeholders, employers, and prospective participants.

If you haven't completed a directory scan before or wish to review your response from last year, please refer to the Certified Employee Finder at this link:

https://brownfields-toolbox.org/certified-employee-finder/.

The link below will take you to the Grant Recipient Directory form to fill out. https://forms.gle/ZWarqnfBesBaJKa69

If you have any questions, please contact Steven Fenton, HMTRI at: sfenton103@aol.com.

2022 In person Annual All Grantee Meeting An in-person event October 11th – 14th

Full day sessions on October 12th and 13th

HMTRI's 24th Annual All-Grantee Meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 12th - 14th in Alexandria VA. We will be sending out a scan to determine topics participants would like to discuss. The All-Grantee Meeting provides a platform to continue conversations on critical issues and best practices among successful JT programs. The workshop is facilitated by HMTRI, grant recipients, EPA staff and outside experts. As in the past, the meeting will include complementary registration and housing. Travel, meals, incidentals, and other costs are not included. Both events are open to JT grant recipients and organizations interested in establishing local environmental job training programs.

New PLC cycle begins June 29th

June 29th. HMTRI begins its 27th Professional Learning Community cycle of 10 PLC Zoom calls. Cycle 27 will focus on responding to the EPA Brownfields Job Training Request for Applications. Log in will remain the same – same time every other Wednesday (see log Zoom log in – section 9).

3. Coalfield Development Corporation, Marilyn Wrenn - Wayne, WV

Appalachian Social Entrepreneurship COURAGE CREATIVITY COMMUNITY

Thanks Marilyn for your presentation today......

Today the PLC welcomed back Marilyn Wrenn from Coalfields, a 2015 BJT alumni. Coalfields operates as a social enterprise combined with job training and life skills development. A model with similarities to RecycleForce, Coalfield Development creates jobs for participants during and after training. Coalfield Development has successfully created a social enterprise workforce development organization that could be applied to rural communities and Native American tribes located in areas with few employers and fewer available jobs.

Mission statement

"Coalfield's mission is to be a community-based organization that provides quality and affordable homes, creates quality jobs, and generates opportunities for quality life for low-income families in southern West Virginia."

The target community

West Virginia is an example of a rural community decimated by the loss their primary employer base and income source. West Virginia has the nation's highest unemployment rate, lowest labor participation rate and second lowest higher education rate. The southern portion of the state has been especially "hard hit". Similar to other rural and Native American communities, Southern West Virginia has few employers, job opportunities and residents who would like to stay but have no means of support. Coalfield Development is targeting underemployed and unemployed residents of Wayne, Mingo, Lincoln, Logan, McDowell, Cabell, Putnam, Kanawha, and Summers. The counties of Wayne, Summers, Mingo, and Lincoln are classified as Persistent Poverty Counties, where 20% or more of the county population in each of the last four decennial Censuses had poverty level household incomes. Cities and towns include Wayne, Matewan, Hamlin, Dunlow, Prichard, Hinton, Charleston, and Huntington.

The following materials come from the Coalfield Development Corporation website, which I highly encourage everyone to visit.

http://www.coalfield-development.org/

Coalfield's "Theory of Change"

"Without spirit, without willpower, without opportunities for overcoming structural barriers, a full life feels unattainable. It is the Coalfield Development Corporation's (Coalfield) belief that the cause of so many woes in Southern West Virginia is the lack of full lives being lived — the emptiness, the despair built up over generations, which leads to a lack of ambition, gumption, and an inability to dream. Therefore, simply building a new home for a person or giving them a two-year job is not sufficient for smashing down structural barriers and ending generational cycles of poverty. Rather, opportunities for full lives must be provided. As such, the primary strategy of this program and of Coalfield overall is to provide valuable, varied, and empowering opportunities for low-income young adults in Southern West Virginia.

Our responsibility is to create opportunity, then to provide encouragement and build the self-confidence necessary for pursuing opportunity. When given true opportunities (not just charity or any minimum wage job) self-confidence can be restored."

Coalfield Development was formed in 2009 by local citizen leaders concerned that the people of Wayne County lacked adequate access to quality, affordable housing. Initially, the organization was staffed by volunteers. In 2010 Brandon Dennison, who previously worked as a West Virginia Housing Intern shifted his efforts to Coalfield

Development. Under his leadership, Coalfield has rapidly grown into the regional entity it is today going from a donated corner in the Wayne County Commission Office, to a new 96,000 square foot location (with a better roof).

About Coalfield Development

Coalfield Development is an aggregation of nonprofits working together training and placing community residents in a variety of newly created jobs. Those employment opportunities currently fall into general career paths including the following areas.

- Agriculture
- Green construction
- Solar
- Mine and land reclamation
- Land and facility redevelopment
- Creative space and social enterprise

Curriculum and training

The guiding vision for Coalfield's training is the 33-6-3 program - Formally unemployed people (especially laid-off coalminers) are hired on to work-crews that staff the social enterprises listed above. These work-crews provide labor on community projects that create assets for local residents. Each week, crewmembers complete 33 hours of paid work, 6 credit hours of higher education, and 3 hours of personal development mentorship. Training is coupled with a 12-12 reflection. Twelve on personal attitude and 12 for care (of self and others).

Trainees participate in environmental job training on two levels, basic and advanced. BJT participants can participate in either program. Both levels provide life skills training, job shadowing and internships in addition to construction skills training.

Learning Level: Participants gain a working knowledge of job-related environmental issues that will provide them an opportunity to earn applicable state, federal and professional certifications. For Learning Level participants, the HAZWOPER course is required. They are also required to participate in case management, professional skills development counseling, and job placement services which will be provided to all participants whether advanced or learning level.

Advanced Training Level: Participants complete EPA-funded environmental training as well as have the opportunity to earn an associate degree in Applied Science from Southern Community & Technical College or Mountwest Community & Technical College. Applicable licenses, professional certifications and on-the-job experience are part of this training.

The advanced technical training program covers a total of 792 hours of instruction, including training opportunities in the following areas. Total training, mentoring and career development can last up to three years. It should be noted that participants work and train concurrently in one of the social enterprises with a guaranteed salary of \$11.00/ hour for up to two and a half years.

- OSHA HAZWOPER 40 hours
- Forklift
- Lead awareness
- Asbestos awareness
- Lead awareness
- Mold awareness
- OSHA 10 General Industry
- First Aid/CPR/AED
- Sustainable deconstruction
- Composting for reclamation
- Environmental Justice
- HAZWOPER 8-hour,
- HAZWOPER 24-hour

- Asbestos Inspector
- Remediation mine land soils through regenerative agriculture
- · Job readiness and life skills training courses leveraged by partners-available to all participants
- Seven state or federal certifications and licenses

Partners, advisors, and supporters

Partners, advisors, and supporters include a long list including the following organizations.

Key partners

The Land Art Generator, The Thrasher Group, Inc. Marshall University Huntington Area Development Council **RAZE** Industries Region 1 Planning and Development Council Region 2 Planning and Development Council **Planning Partners** Abandoned Properties Coalition Center for Economic Options **Collective Impact** FAHE Housing Authority of Mingo County Kingery and Company Lincoln County Economic Development Authority Lincoln County Family Resource Network Marshall University Brownfields Assistance Center Mingo County Redevelopment Authority Southwestern Community Action Council Wayne County Economic Development Authority Wayne Family Resource Network West Virginia Community Development Hub **Project Partners** Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity Appalachian Coal Country Team Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation Community Works in West Virginia Crum Neighborhood Association Edward Tucker Architects **Enterprise Community Partners** Federal Home Loan Bank – Pittsburgh Fort Gay Community Association Foundation for the Tri-State Community Heritage Farm Museum and Village Housing Authority of Wayne County Huntington Museum of Art Kanawha Institute for Social Research & Action, Inc. (KISRA) Lincoln County High School Building Construction Program Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation Mills Group Mingo County Schools Building Construction Programs Mountwest Community and Technical College Natural Capital Investment Fund One Foundation Our Children Our Future

Preservation Alliance of West Virginia Rural Studio Solar Holler Southern West Virginia Community & Technical College Sustainable Williamson Tolsia High School Building Construction Program Unlimited Futures, Inc. Virginia Community Development Corporation Wayne County Community Service Organization, Inc. Wayne County Habitat for Humanity **Public Sector Partners** City of Delbarton, WV City of Huntington, WV City of Kenova, WV Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Lincoln County Commission Southwestern West Virginia Region 2 WORKFORCE Investment Board Town of Hamlin Town of Wayne, WV Town of West Hamlin United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development Wayne County Commission West Virginia Affordable Housing Trust Fund West Virginia Development Office West Virginia Housing Development Fund **Private Sector Partners** 5/3 Bank BB&T Bank Chase Bank Judd Roth Real Estate Development United Bank

Placement and tracking

Coalfield Development Corporation was organized on the principles of mentorship, on-the-job training, higher education, social enterprise, innovation, community collaboration and entrepreneurial leadership. These principles set the direction and guides the organization, providing jobs and sustainable opportunities for community residents. Coalfield Development Corporation creates its own jobs with social enterprise. Participants enter the program working with one of the participating partners. Depending on interest and demand, employees receive training, mentoring and certification to excel in their chosen occupation.

Those interested in contacting Marilyn regarding the Coalfield Community Development and their 33-6-3 training program may contact her at the following address.

Marilyn Wrenn Coalfield Development Corporation **mwrenn@coalfield-development.org**

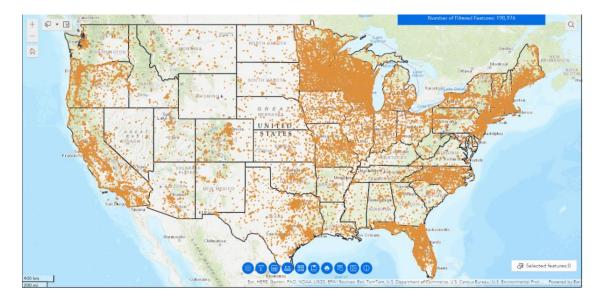
www.coalfield-development.org

4. EPA tools and resources

Tools for Communities RE-Powering Benefits Matrix Communities across the country are creating jobs and stimulating economic growth by developing renewable energy projects on contaminated lands.

RE-Powering America's Land Initiative tracks the economic and environmental benefits associated with completed sites, as identified, and reported by parties directly involved with their respective projects. Common benefits reported include revenues from land leases and taxes, electricity cost savings associated with the reduced need to purchase power from the grid, job creation, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions. This resource is for informational purposes only and may not be a comprehensive list of all benefits realized by completed projects on contaminated lands.

The <u>**RE-Powering Benefits Matrix</u>** Publication provides summary information of benefits for installations and discusses emerging trends. It also includes a site list of sites with reported benefits. The RE-Powering Benefits Matrix Site List is an Excel spreadsheet of the sites to allow for easier sorting and filtering of information for completed projects with reported benefits.</u>



Interested in Developing Solar on Landfills and Other Contaminated Lands? We Have Updates!

EPA's RE-Powering America's Land Initiative has Recently Updated Two of the Most-Used Tools in the RE-Powering Tool Kit!

RE-Powering Mapper 3.0

EPA's **RE-Powering Mapper 3.0** has just been released! This update includes data provided by EPA Brownfields, Superfund, AML, Landfill Methane Outreach Program, RCRA and a pilot with Underground Storage Tanks, in addition to data from 22 state partners. State partners included: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin. Over 190,000 sites and nearly 40 million acres of land are included and screened for solar, wind, biomass and geothermal energy potential. EPA partnered with Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) to provide up-to-date data and screening that reflects current trends in renewable energy development.



RE-Powering created a <u>User Guide and Data Documentation</u> to assist users in navigating the RE-Powering Mapper 3.0 and to explain the data included in the application. A <u>RE-Powering Mapper</u> <u>Factsheet</u> is also provided which explains the data and purpose of the application.

RE-Powering Mapper User Guide and Data Documentation

Learn more about MAC Grants

CCLR's Tips for Getting Started on EPA Brownfield Grant Applications

The next round of EPA Multipurpose, Assessment and Cleanup Grants is expected to be released this Fall. While it may seem like a long way away, now is the best time to start preparing for your MARC Grant application. In our experience reviewing draft EPA brownfield grant applications, we have found that applicants who get started early have a greater chance of success!

<u>Check out our blog for a breakdown of new information on FY2023 EPA Brownfield grants</u> and our top three tips for getting started!

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In Case You Missed It:

Equitable Brownfields Redevelopment Webinar Recordings

On April 5th, EPA partnered with <u>Smart Growth America</u> and the <u>National</u> <u>Brownfields Coalition</u> to offer the Equitable Brownfields Redevelopment webinar, addressing how practitioners can center equity in their work and develop strategies for inclusive brownfields redevelopment. Recognizing the risk of gentrification and home and business displacement arising from brownfields redevelopment projects, event speakers shared best practices for development, planning and community engagement processes centered on community wealth building and supporting existing community members. Keynote and panel discussions were recorded and can be viewed <u>here</u>.

6. Brownfields virtual meetings

Justice40/Environmental Justice and the NIEHS Worker Training Program (WTP)

The ECWTP provides training to increase opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged and underserved communities to obtain careers in environmental cleanup, construction, hazardous waste removal, and emergency response. The ECWTP is a part of the broader Worker Training Program (WTP) which is located within the NIEHS Division of Extramural Research and Training. Authorized by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), WTP funds nonprofit organizations that have demonstrated experience with providing high-quality occupational health and safety training to workers who may be involved in handling hazardous materials or engaging in emergency response activities.

Important Links and Documents:

- <u>ECWTP 25th Anniversary Page</u>
- <u>Mitigating the Impact of Climate Change and Securing Environmental Justice Through Safety and Health</u> <u>Training</u> (2-page summary)
- The Economic Impact of the Environmental Career Worker Training Program (PDF)
- Environmental Factor August 2020: Environmental Career Worker Training Program celebrates 25 years

National Environmental Justice Community Engagement Calls





The purpose of these calls is to inform communities about EPA's environmental justice work and enhance opportunities to maintain an open dialogue with environmental justice advocates. As environmental justice continues to be integrated into EPA programs and policies, the Agency hopes that these calls will help reaffirm EPA's continued commitment to work with community groups and the public to strengthen local environmental and human health outcomes.

June 21, 2022 (2 - 4 pm Eastern)

2 - 4 p.m. Eastern

EPA environmental justice initiatives

Listening Session and Dialogue: Q&A about ongoing EJ initiatives

For more information and registration, go to:

https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/national-environmental-justice-community-engagement-calls

7. In-person events

California Land Recycling Conference (CALRC) Carson Civic Center, Carson, CA June 21-23.

The California Land Recycling Conference (CALRC) is the premiere event for professionals working to beneficially repurpose idled or environmentally impacted properties. Focusing on the key revitalization issues both unique to California and resonating with the national bigpicture, the Conference is an innovative space for learning and connecting. Attendees will hear about the wide array of funding, resources, and peer learning opportunities that are available to support them on their land reuse journey.

We are thrilled to be hosting CALRC 2022 in-person in Carson, CA with a full lineup of timely and trending land reuse topics! If you have not registered yet, we hope you will join us to reuse, rebuild, and revitalize! Keep reading for more conference details and highlights. Learn more and register today for the best rate! https://bit.ly/3Jeo90m

Scholarships are available! Apply here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfkao5pN5JW609xma4nQNg65XV46YgiFGg09eliEDxS5HdOA/viewform?usp=sf_link

The 2022 Virginia Brownfields Conference St. Paul and Norton, Virginia June 22-23

The 2022 Virginia Brownfields Conference has officially been scheduled for June 22-23, in beautiful St. Paul and Norton, Virginia! Join VADEQ for this multi-day in-person event, which will focus on brownfield development, downtown revitalization, and ecology in the hills of Appalachia, while providing an opportunity to network with sponsors and other brownfield stakeholders. Registration is now open for governments and non-profits ONLY. Click here for registration and more information.

GeorgiaBrownfield

2022 GBA Brownfield Seminar June 28th

Georgia State University

This year's Brownfield Seminar once again will provide quality education opportunities with a wide range of participants, including leading development, legal, engineering, risk management, economic development, and other professionals throughout Georgia and beyond with a shared interest in cleaning and redeveloping contaminated properties and revitalizing surrounding areas around the state. Again, this year, we plan to apply for CLE credits from the State Bar of Georgia and offer Certificates of Completion to professionals in other industries in need of CEs. To read more about GBA Brownfield Seminars, including presenters, topics, sponsors and more! For more information...

Click here

2022 National Brownfields Training Conference Oklahoma City, OK

August 16-19, 2022

The National Brownfields Training Conference is the largest event in the nation focused on environmental revitalization and economic redevelopment. Held every two years, the National Brownfields Conference attracts over 2,000 stakeholders in brownfields redevelopment and cleanup to share knowledge about sustainable reuse and celebrate the EPA brownfields program's success. Whether you're a newcomer or a seasoned professional, Brownfields 2021 offers something for you! Registration is now open.

For more information, please visit https://brownfields2022.org/



The 27th Annual Florida Remediation Conference (FRC 2022) Omni Orlando Resort at Champions Gate Orlando, Florida November 16-18, 2022

The Florida Remediation Conference (FRC) is one of the premier soil, air and water remediation conferences of the year. Though FRC started out as a Florida-centric event 26 years ago, it has developed a solid reputation for fostering the remediation and redevelopment industries across the Southeast. FRC attracts over 600 attendees comprised of a mix of industry representatives, developers, consultants, and contractors, and over 100 exhibitors and sponsors from across the country. It is far from just being a Florida event. For more information, Go to:

https://floridaremediationconference.org

Call for Speakers!

Submission Deadline: July 15, 2022

We have issued a call for oral and poster presentation abstracts for the 27th Florida Remediation Conference which will take place on November 16-18, 2022, at the Omni Orlando Resort at Champions Gate (Orlando), Florida.

If you have an interest in presenting an oral or poster presentation, please click on the link below. <u>https://floridaremediationconference.org/call-for-speakers</u>

8. Funding and leveraging opportunities

Targeted Brownfields Assessments (TBA)

A Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) is an environmental investigation that documents environmental conditions at a property under consideration for redevelopment or reuse. These are conducted at no cost to communities requesting assistance. Applications are accepted and assessments are performed throughout the year. Assistance may include one or more of the following activities:

- Phase I environmental site assessment, including a background and historical investigation and a preliminary property inspection.
- Phase II environmental site assessment, including sampling activities to identify the types and concentrations of contaminants and the areas of contamination.
- Cleanup options and cost estimates based on anticipated future uses and redevelopment plans. Every region has TBAs available on a no cost basis. For more information go the following EPA site.

https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/targeted-brownfields-assessments-tba

Bank of America Grants In 2022, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation will issue requests for proposals (RFPs): Environmental Focus: Agriculture/Farming, Career Choices, Cultural Awareness, Environmental Justice, Gardening/Composting, Place-based Education, Plants, Sustainability, Team building/Problem-solving



Economic Mobility focused on needs of community (affordable housing, small business, neighborhood revitalization) Applications accepted: 5/30/2022 – 6/24/2022 For additional information, go to: Complete Details Bank of America Opportunities

Clearinghouse for Federal funding sources

The Interagency Working Group on Coal & Power Plant Communities & Economic Revitalization has created a centralized list of federal funding sources for communities to fund infrastructure, environmental remediation, job creation, and community revitalization efforts. There are many grants currently available! Find funding sources for your community>>>

9. Contact EPA Regional Coordinators

Regional Coordinators are the first place to go regarding questions about BJT grants, extensions, budgets, or work plans. Many Regions maintain a Listserv for past, current, and potential recipients. It is important to be on their contact list for conference calls and newsletters.

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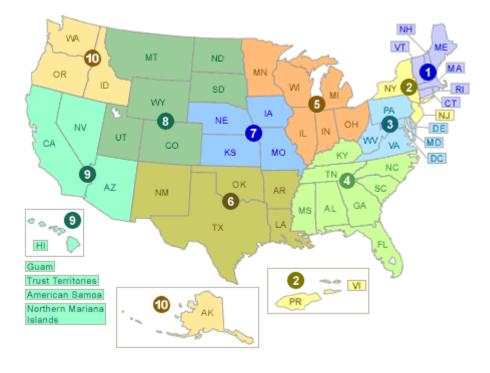
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10. Join us for the next Professional Learning Community ZOOM call June 29th

June 15th EPA will host a webinar briefing on the FY23 BJT application guidelines. To join – go to https://usepa.zoomgov.com/j/1602297732

Join a conversation with EPA Brownfields Job Training grant recipients, alumni, and interested stakeholders. PLCs are scheduled every other week on Wednesdays, same time, regular PLC Zoom link. Wednesday June 29th 2:00 p.m. Eastern To Join PLC Zoom Meetings, go to: https://zoom.us/j/93598658578

Meeting ID: 935 9865 8578

On the road - Computer not available..... You can phone in using the nearest location +1 646 876 9923 US (New York) +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC) +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

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The objective of the (PLC) is to promote and share innovative strategies among those interested in establishing community based environmental job training programs. Our sessions allow participants to stay in touch with BJT happenings, ask questions, showcase their programs, and help others. The Environmental Workforce PLC is open to all and there is no cost or obligation to attend. Join us when you can. If you would like to invite a guest, feel free to forward this email.

Showcase your program – Biweekly, the PLC will hear from one of our grantees, discuss opportunities or exchange ideas related to environmental job training. HMTRI is inviting you to participate in the next cycle of Professional Learning Community ZOOMs. If you would like to present at an upcoming PLC contact Mike at: msenew@gmail.com/

PLC notes presented represent individual opinions and ideas from Professional Learning Community participants and JT recipients. They do not represent EPA policy, guidance or opinions and should not be taken as such.

For more information on HMTRI technical assistance services or to be added to our Grantee and Community Outreach Listserv, please an email to: hmtri@eicc.edu.

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