



# Site Revitalization Program.

In June 2013 the United States Environmental Protection Agency awarded a \$400,000 grant to the City of Everett under the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfield Revitalization Act. The City is using the grant funds to conduct studies of "brownfield" properties to eliminate environmental and other roadblocks to revitalization.

## Brownfield Inventories

The City's brownfield team has created an inventory of properties with high potential for redevelopment and revitalization by building a database of property information: the Everett Brownfield Site Identification Tool (EBSIT).

The EBSIT compiles a range of property data such as land values, zoning, historical uses, and known and suspected contamination. The City has analyzed the EBSIT information, refined the list of properties included in the database, and developed a scoring system to rank properties by their redevelopment potential.

Using EBSIT, we created focused brownfield inventories for three high-priority geographic areas: Riverfront East located northeast of downtown; Metro Center in the Everett Station and downtown core areas; and the Community College area. We also developed a City-wide inventory to cover properties not included in the three focus areas.

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### What is a Brownfield?

Brownfields are properties that are not being used to their full potential because of known or suspected environmental pollution.

Brownfields are often left unused due to fears about the liability and expense of assessment and cleanup.

Cleaning up and reinvesting in Brownfields protects the environment, reduces blight, and takes development pressures off greenspaces and working lands.

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## What's next?

The City and its brownfields team are scheduling interviews with owners of properties with high redevelopment potential, property developers, and other stakeholders. Through these interviews, we will identify properties where grant funding will be used for environmental assessments, planning cleanup actions, and supporting redevelopment planning.

The City is also initiating Area-Wide Planning in the Riverfront East and Metro Center Focus Areas. Area-Wide Planning will include a variety of activities to identify potential future uses for the brownfields-impacted focus areas. Through this process, the city will develop strategies to reuse existing infrastructure and to identify potential infrastructure investments needed to support the community's redevelopment vision.



## How can you get involved?

- Stay tuned for public meeting announcements.
- Submit brownfield site a nomination form (available from the City).
- Visit the City's brownfield project website: [www.everettwa.gov/675/Brownfields-Assessment-Grant](http://www.everettwa.gov/675/Brownfields-Assessment-Grant)

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