



Brownfields Training, Research, and Technical Assistance Grant Fact Sheet

Hazardous Materials Training and Research Institute at Eastern Iowa Community College

EPA Brownfields Program

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.

EPA's Brownfields Training, Research, and Technical Assistance grants provide funding to eligible organizations to provide training, research, and technical assistance to facilitate brownfields revitalization. These grants will also provide research and technical assistance to communities throughout the United States.

Organization Description

The Hazardous Materials Training and Research Institute (HMTRI) at Eastern Iowa Community College is an environmental health and safety education and training organization established in 1987. HMTRI promotes environmental worker health and safety and the maintenance of a clean and safe environment through education and training. HMTRI offers and promotes educational opportunities, partnerships, and training programs related to brownfields cleanup and redevelopment.

Project Description

HMTRI's Community Support, Networking, and Assistance for Environmental Career Training (CONNECT) Program will provide technical assistance, information, and peer-to-peer networking to new, existing, and prospective Environmental Workforce

Grantee:

Hazardous Materials Training and Research Institute at Eastern Iowa Community College

Topic Area:

Technical Assistance to Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training (EWDJT) grantees

Project Period:

2014-2019

Total Grant Award:

\$988,975

Contacts

For further information about the Hazardous Materials Training and Research Institute at Eastern Iowa Community College and its brownfields technical assistance activities, visit <http://www.hmtri.com/>. For more information about this project, call 563-441-4081.

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields> or call 202-566- 2777.

* The information presented in this fact sheet comes from the proposal for technical assistance; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of this information. The implementation plan for the technical assistance has not yet been finalized. Therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

Development and Job Training grantees. HMTRI will assist communities to build and expand their programs through annual workforce development meetings, professional learning communities, mentor links, webinars, individualized technical assistance, the Brownfields Job Development Toolbox and Trainers Resource website, the grantee and community outreach listserv, and other support services. The CONNECT Program will contribute to the economic sustainability of communities by providing employment to residents who otherwise are likely to be unemployed or receiving public assistance and linking graduates with on-going environmental assessment and cleanup projects, as well as wastewater treatment and other land restoration projects; the social sustainability of communities by providing residents a career path and meaningful work that requires specialized training and certifications that result in livable wages and career pathways; the

environmental sustainability of communities by establishing a local skilled workforce capable of performing environmental remediation; and the public health of communities by educating residents to identify and reduce health and environmental threats posed by contaminants at brownfields and other solid and hazardous waste sites.