

# Portland Brownfield Program

recovery  
of neighborhood lands

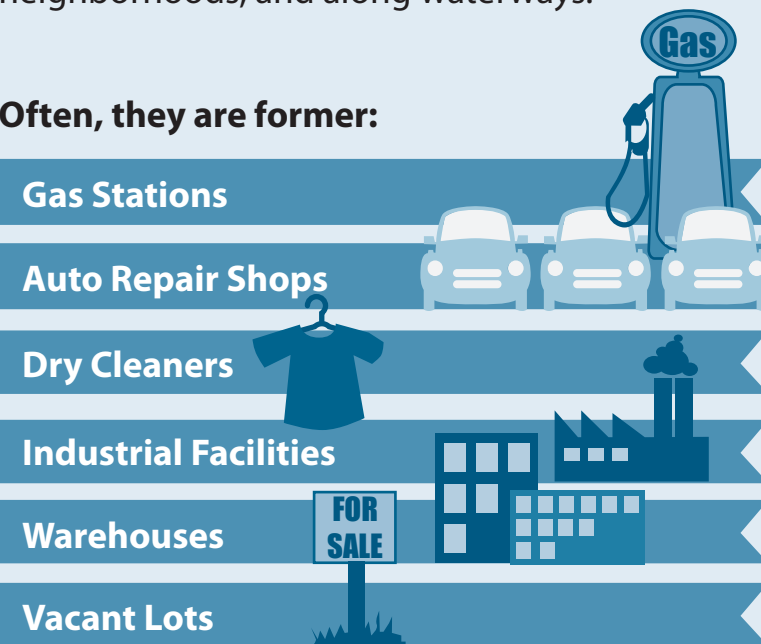
The Portland Brownfield Program provides technical and financial assistance to assess and clean up brownfields. We work with private property owners, non-profits, community groups, small business owners, developers and public agencies.

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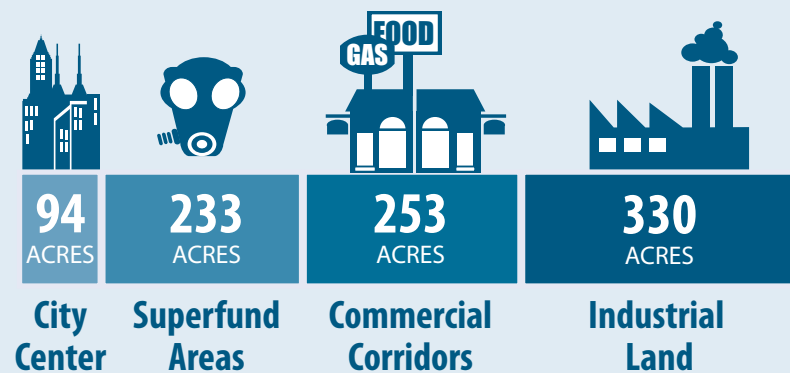
## What is a brownfield?

A **brownfield** is a property where past use may have contaminated soil or water. Brownfields are found in cities, small towns, rural areas, commercial and industrial areas, neighborhoods, and along waterways.

Often, they are former:



**910 acres** of land in Portland are **potential brownfields**.<sup>\*</sup> Of those acres:



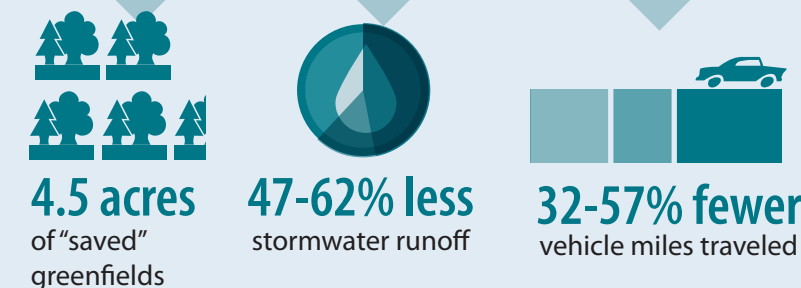
## Why redevelop brownfields?

Brownfield **revitalization** improves human and environmental health, protects water quality, increases the tax base, reduces sprawl, spurs economic development, creates jobs, eliminates blight, and helps keep business in Portland.



## 1 acre

of brownfield redevelopment in place of greenfield development\*\* leads to:



Redevelopment of **all brownfields in Portland** could result in:<sup>\*</sup>

**31,000** new jobs

**\$40 million** in additional tax revenues

**39,000 tons** of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduced annually

by taking 9,200 cars off the road every year

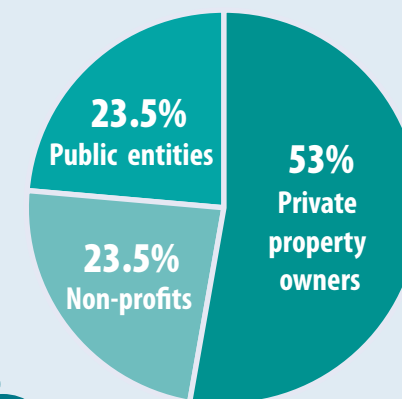
## About the program

Since 1998, **Portland's Brownfield Program** has provided environmental investigations on more than 65 properties totaling over 80 acres and contributed to the development of:

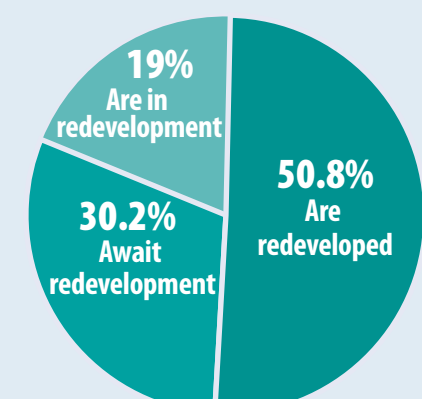


**\$3.8 million** of EPA funding has been awarded through the program

Funds were granted to:



Since funding, those sites:



\*Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability; August 8, 2012

\*\* www.epa.gov/brownfields/overview/Brownfields-Benefits-postcard.pdf

\*\*\*Portland Brownfield Assessment. Prepared by Maul, Foster & Alongi, Inc for Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability. 2012



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