

## Program Details

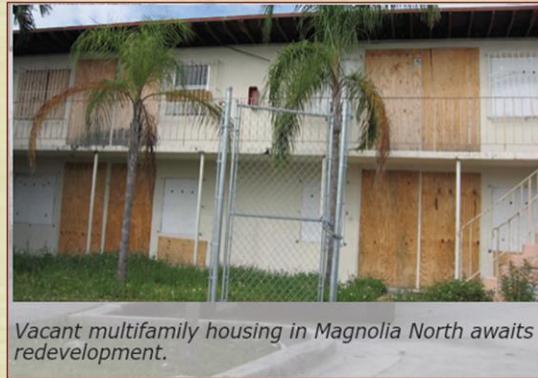
The City of Opa-Locka received **\$400,000** in assessment funding (\$200,000 for hazardous substances and \$200,000 for petroleum substances) through the EPA Brownfields Program. Funds can be used for Phase I and II environmental site assessments, public health monitoring, clean-up planning and community outreach activities. Funding is available on a city-wide basis.

## What are Brownfields?

A brownfields site is a vacant or underutilized property where actual or perceived environmental contamination complicates its expansion or redevelopment. Clean-up costs and risks deter potential developers and create a barrier to community revitalization and economic development.

## Brownfields Program

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established the Brownfields Program to empower states, communities and other stakeholders in economic development to work together in a collaborative manner.



Vacant multifamily housing in Magnolia North awaits redevelopment.



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# Brownfields Assessment Grant Program

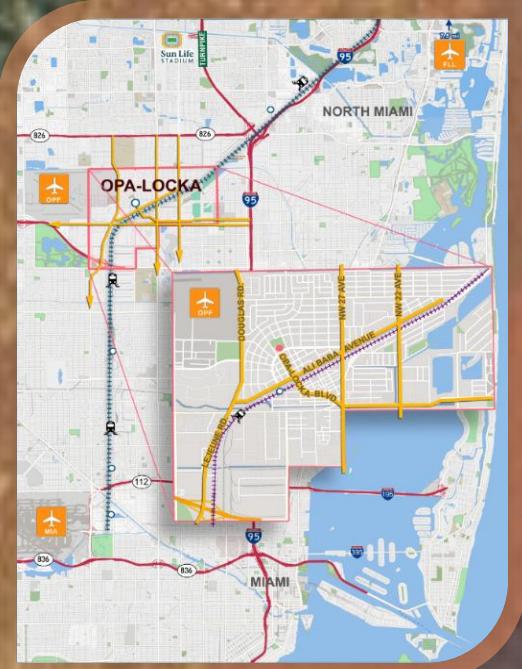


**City of Opa-Locka, Florida**

Do you know of a property in Opa-Locka that might be considered a Brownfield?

Does the property have potential for future business or recreational use?

If you answered “yes” than the Property may be eligible for the Opa-Locka Brownfields Grant Assessment Program.



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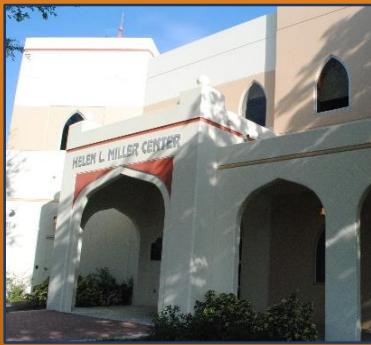
## Phase I

### Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)

A Phase I ESA is a non-intrusive evaluation of environmental conditions at a site. The purpose of a Phase I ESA is to accumulate data on the present conditions and historical uses of a subject site and nearby properties to assess the potential for adverse environmental impacts. An environmental professional then compiles the information into a report and concludes either 1) no environmental concerns identified or 2) the presence of a recognized environmental condition (REC) warrants further investigation in the form of a Phase II ESA.

### Cleaning up and reinvesting in Brownfields sites:

- Increases the local tax base
- Helps spur redevelopment
- Uses existing infrastructure
- Facilitates job growth
- Improves and protects the environment



## Phase II

### Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)

A Phase II ESA involves collecting soil and groundwater samples to identify the types and concentrations of contaminants (if any) and the areas of contamination needing cleanup (if necessary). The resulting report compares contaminant levels to regulatory standards for evaluation of concerns for human health and the environment. A Phase II ESA can also include asbestos and lead-based paint surveys and hazardous materials inventories.

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