

BUILDING STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS WORKSHOP

Brownfields Redevelopment in Undercapitalized Communities



Trenton, New Jersey
December 10, 2007

Hosted by:

*Northeast-Midwest Institute, Sustainable Community
Development Group & The Ferguson Group*

Funded by:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Co-Sponsors:



*Brownfield
Redevelopment
Solutions, Inc.*



*Langan Engineering and
Environmental Services,
Inc.*

Advisory Group:

*City of Trenton * Mercer County Improvement Authority * Redevelopment Authority of the County of Bucks * Hudson County Economic Development Corporation * New Jersey Office of Brownfield Reuse * New Jersey Department of Community Affairs * New Jersey Office of Community Relations * New Jersey Economic Development Authority * Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection * EPA Region 2 * EPA Region 3 * Brownfield Redevelopment Solutions, Inc. * Rutgers National Center for Neighborhood and Brownfields Redevelopment * New Jersey State League of Municipalities * Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions * Coalition for Affordable Housing and the Environment * Greater Newark & Jersey City LISC * New Jersey Work Environment Council * Isles * Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey * CityWorks * Concerned Citizens Coalition (of Long Branch, NJ)*

BUILDING STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS

Brownfields Redevelopment in Undercapitalized Communities

**Trenton Marriott at Lafayette Yard, 1 West Lafayette Street, Trenton, New Jersey
December 10, 2007**

Across America, communities and neighborhoods that have historically been marked by poverty, joblessness, injustice and lack of investment often suffer disproportionately from the impacts of brownfields. Overcoming brownfields can be more difficult in disadvantaged communities, due to a lack of economic opportunity, undercapitalized markets, crumbling infrastructure, inadequate local capacity, historical mistrust, concerns about gentrification, or environmental justice issues. Yet, there are a growing number of examples where disadvantaged communities have used brownfield tools and resources to redevelop blighted areas, create economic opportunities, and give hope to their residents.

The *Building Strong Neighborhoods: Brownfields Redevelopment in Undercapitalized Communities* workshop will provide elected leaders, local government managers, planning and economic development directors, community development officials, environmental justice representatives, and other brownfields stakeholders with the tools and resources necessary to revitalize brownfields in disadvantaged communities.

For more information, contact Andrew Seth at (202) 454-3922 or aseth@tfgnet.com. Additional resources are also available online at <http://www.nemw.org/brownfields.htm#Disadvantaged>.

8:00 – 9:00 AM

Registration

9:00 – 9:30 AM

Opening Remarks and Welcome

- Mayor Douglas Palmer, City of Trenton, NJ

9:30 – 10:45 AM

What Am I Getting in to: Overview of the Brownfields Process

- J.R. Capasso, Brownfields Coordinator, City of Trenton, NJ
- Phyllis Bross, Counsel, Parker McCay
- Roxanne Jayne, Attorney, Sterns & Weinroth
- Gerard Joab, Senior Program Director, Greater Newark & Jersey City LISC

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM

Will Brownfields Redevelopment Benefit the Community: Ensuring the Right Results

- Jacob Jones, Director of Community and Economic Development, City of Long Branch, NJ
- Patrick Morrissy, Executive Director, Housing & Neighborhood Development Services (HANDS), Inc.
- Donna Rendeiro, Policy Manager, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs

12:00 – 1:00 PM

Lunch

- Keynote Speakers: Senator Frank Lautenberg ** & Commissioner Lisa Jackson, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection **

1:00 – 2:15 PM

Is it Safe: Ensuring that Brownfield Cleanups Are Protective

- Henry Cole, Principal, Henry S. Cole & Associates, Inc.
- Jill Gaito, Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Office of Community Revitalization and Local Government Support
- Steve Kehayes, Brownfields Coordinator, New Jersey Office of Brownfields Cleanup

2:15 – 2:30 PM

Break

2:30 – 3:45 PM

Who Can Help: Working with the Private Sector

- Dr. Jorge Berkowitz, Langan Engineering and Environmental
- Leah Yasenachak, Principal, Brownfields Redevelopment Solutions, Inc.
- Joseph Della Fave, Executive Director, Ironbound Community Corporation

3:45 – 5:00 PM

How Much Does It Cost: Public and Private Resources

- Mayor Robert Bowser, City of East Orange, NJ **
- Mayor David DeVecchio, City of Lambertville, NJ **
- Mayor Glen Gilmore, Hamilton Township, NJ **
- Mayor Ed Pawlowski, City of Allentown, PA **
- Mayor Joseph Vas, City of Perth Amboy, NJ

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Reception

** = invited

BUILDING STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS

Brownfields Redevelopment in Undercapitalized Communities

Monday, December 10, 2007

Trenton Marriott at Lafayette Yard
1 West Lafayette Street
Trenton, New Jersey

9 AM - 5 PM Workshop
5 PM - 7 PM Reception

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, December 5, 2007

Please print or type. Use a separate form for each registration.

Name _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FEES

(includes lunch, snacks and reception)

_____ \$40 for local governments, nonprofit organizations and community representatives (Need-based scholarships available upon request)

_____ \$95 private sector

SPECIAL NEEDS

Please indicate if you have special dietary or other needs.

PAYMENT

Check made payable to The Ferguson Group; mail registration form and payment to:

The Ferguson Group
Attn: Andrew Seth
1130 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Suite 300
Washington, DC 20036

QUESTIONS?

Contact Andrew Seth at (202) 454-3922 or
aseth@tfgnet.com