The TAB Program

Technical Assistance to Brownfields

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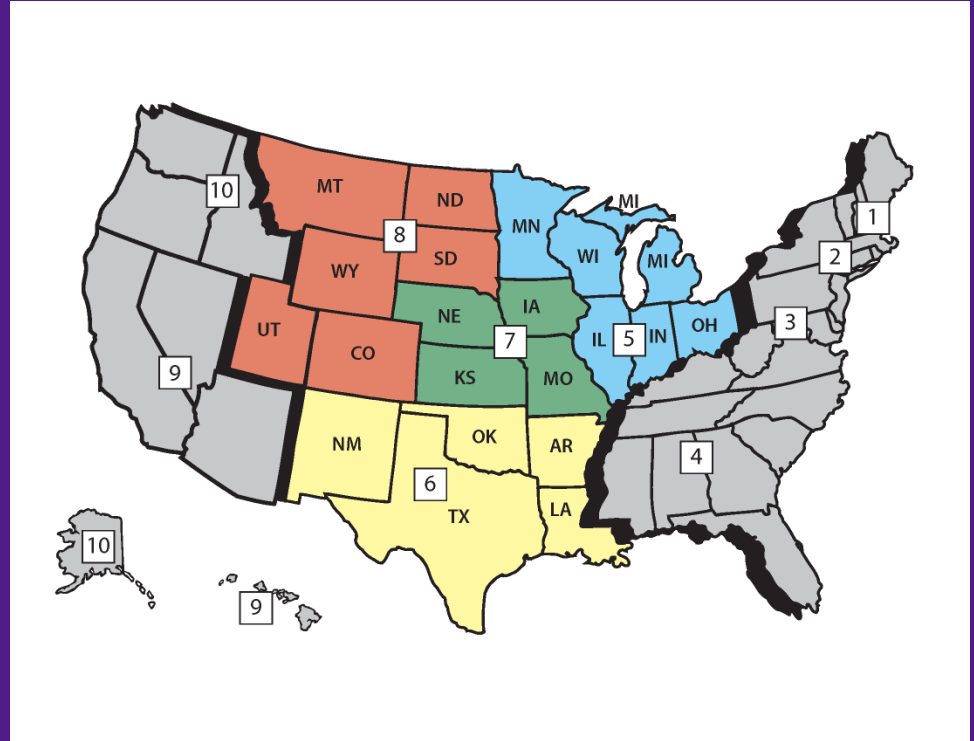
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Technical Assistance to Brownfield (TAB)

- A national program

- Funded by EPA via grants to 3 different entities

- **Free** to communities

- K-State assists communities in EPA Regions 5, 6, 7 and 8

TAB Assistance to Communities

- Free assistance with brownfields redevelopment planning, environmental, economic development expertise
- Tailored to specific community needs
  - Fill gaps in other services
  - Coordinated through the city, tribal or non-profit brownfields project manager
- Communities accepted on a 'first come' basis
  - Depends on staff/funding availability
- No application process, just contact us

Services May Include

- Help identifying and inventorying brownfields
- Strategic planning and redevelopment visioning
- Economic feasibility and sustainability analysis
- Educational workshops
- Community outreach and input
- Help identify funding sources
- Review of grant applications
- Help finding and evaluating environmental consultants
- Review of project plans and technical reports
- Fact sheets and information
- Other assistance, as needed and agreed upon

Services Related to ARC Grants

- Help identifying and inventorying brownfields
  - Potential environmental contaminants & site assets
  - Health, social, and economic issues/needs
- Strategic planning and redevelopment visioning
  - To assess, clean up, and re-use sites and improve health, social, and economic conditions

- Community outreach and input

- Review of grant applications

TAB Community Involvement Tools

- Outreach strategies
- Workshops and seminars
  - Stand alone or part of a community fair
- Redevelopment planning
  - Visioning sessions

Outreach Strategies

- TAB can help develop an outreach plan
  - Identify stakeholders
  - Invite community participation
  - Choose outreach methods and media
  - Evaluate outreach effectiveness

Workshops and Seminars

- Tailored to need of audience
  - ARC Grant Writing
  - Brownfields Basics
  - Coming soon
    - Online courses
    - More webinars

Redevelopment Planning

- Vision development
- Stakeholder coordination
- Eligibility for incentives
- Long-term Implementation

A Vision for Jordan Valley
April 2007

JORDAN VALLEY CONCEPT MASTER PLAN
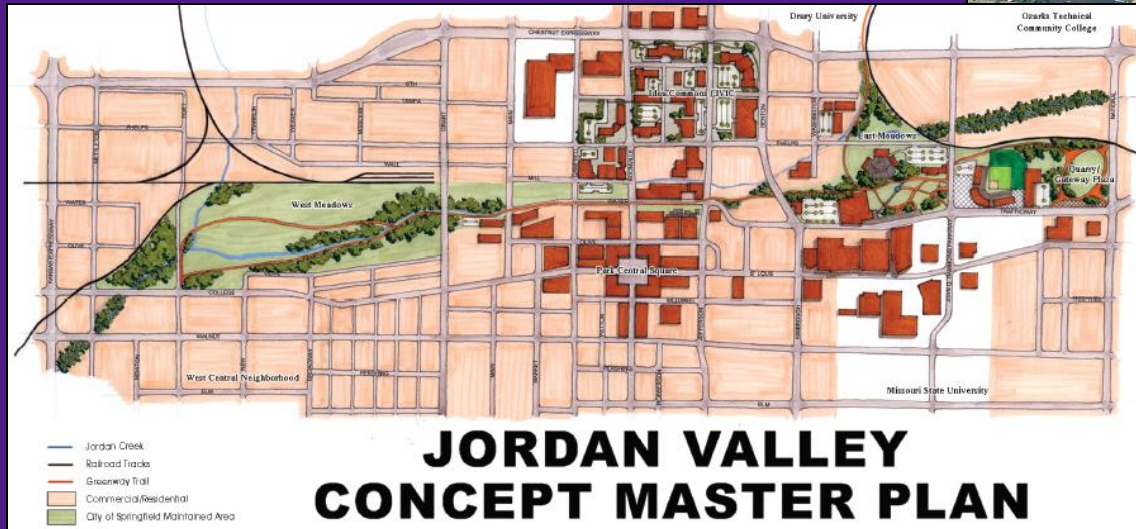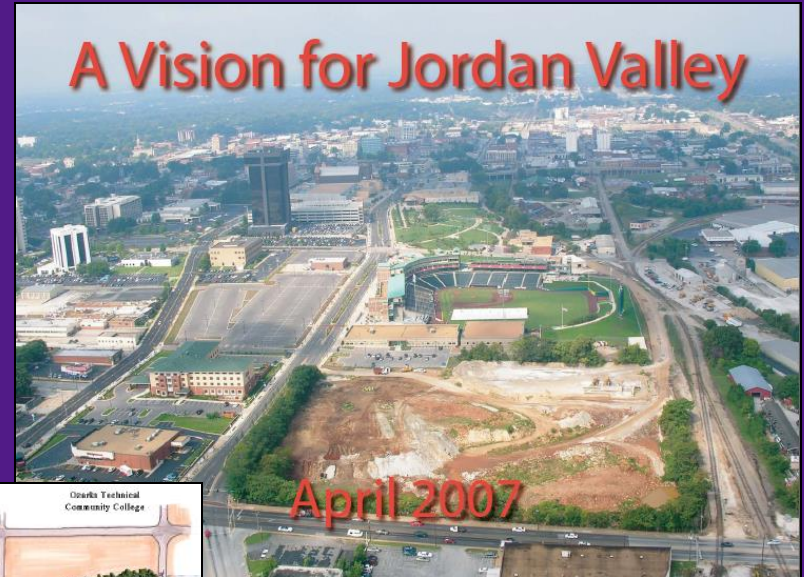
City of Springfield, MO

Redevelopment Planning

Engaging the Community

Visioning – Developing a Picture
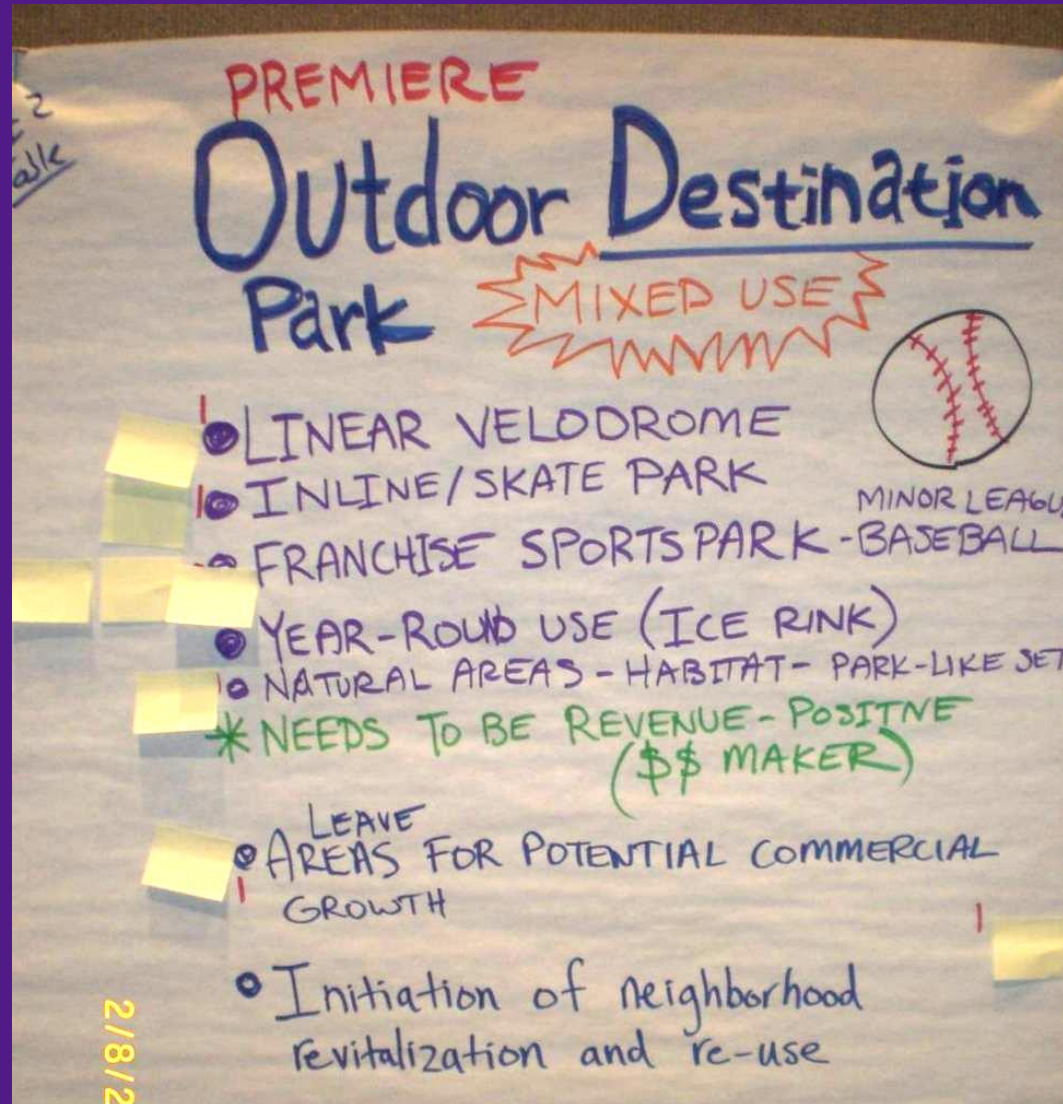
The Power of a Picture

Tools to Help with Grant Applications

- TAB BIT
  - Brownfields Inventory Tool

- TAB EZ
  - EPA brownfields assessment and cleanup grant applications

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

www.tab-bit.org or
www.ksutab.org

Stores & Manages
Site Data:

- Site survey &
  inventory

- Assessment,
  cleanup, and
  redevelopment
  progress

- Public notice
  records

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

- Start using before writing grants

- Then use to show progress and plans in proposals, for:
  - Survey and inventory of potential brownfields
  - Site statistics in area
  - Priorities for assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment

- State plan to report to ACRES

TAB EZ
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Please give 1 week advance notice for proposal reviews and plan on 1 week for TAB to do the review