

Mixing & Matching Resources for Brownfields Redevelopment Success Kansas Environmental Conference – Topeka, KS 2011

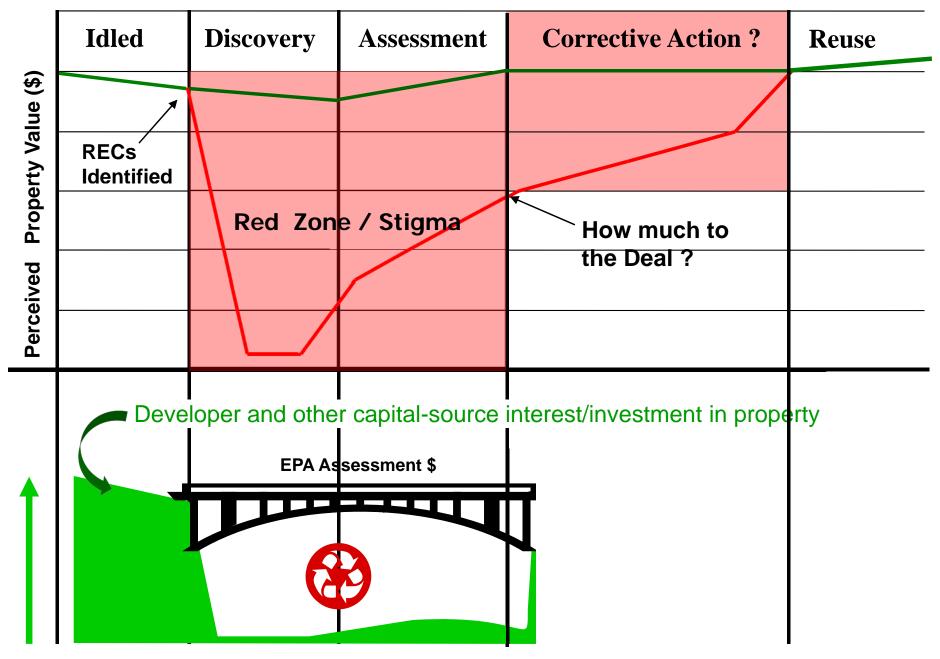


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#### Intended to facilitate balanced "Triple Bottom Line" thinking in Brownfields restoration



#### Plugging EPA Assessment Funding into the Brownfield Property Lifecycle



RECs: ASTM E1527-05 Recognized Environmental Conditions produce a stigma that affects property value whether impairment is real or not.

Today ...



- EPA Brownfields are not intended to carry Brownfields redevelopment, only bridge
- Non-EPA Brownfield projects that smaller cities and communities have put together from different funding
  - Both in and out of IL and EPA Region 5 for some perspective on what others are doing
  - Some low cost/no cost strategies with important \$\$ impacts
  - Examples of diverse resources in action...



#### Non-EPA Funding Used to Finance Brownfield Reuse

#### Loans

- EDA capital for local revolving loan funds
- HUD funds for locally determined CDBG loans and "floats"
- EPA capitalized revolving loan funds
- SBA's microloans
- SBA's Section 504 development company debentures
- EPA capitalized clean water revolving loan funds (priorities set/ programs run by each state)
- HUD's Section 108 loan guarantees
- SBA's Section 7(a) and Low-Doc programs
- USDA business, intermediary, development loans

#### Grants

- HUD's Brownfield Economic Development Initiative (BEDI)
- HUD's Community Development Block Grants (for projects locally determined)
- EPA assessment, cleanup grants
- EDA public works and economic adjustment

- DOT (various system construction, preservation, rehabilitation programs)
- Army Corps of Engineers (cost-shared services)
- USDA community facility, business and industry grants
- Equity capital
  - SBA Small Business Investment Cos.

#### Tax incentives and tax-exempt financing

- Targeted expensing of cleanup costs
- Historic rehabilitation tax credits
- Low-income housing tax credits
- Industrial development bonds
- Energy efficiency construction credits
- Tax-advantaged zones
  - HUD/USDA Empowerment Zones
  - HUD/USDA Enterprise Communities

## **HUD Supported**

Entitlement and State/Small Cities CDBG Programs

- Cities over 50,000 people get annual formula allocations
- Each state gets an annual funding allocation from HUD to meet small cities' (less than 50,000 population) community development needs
- CDBG funds must meet one of HUD's 3 broadly defined program objectives:
  - addressing the needs of low- and moderate-income people (at least 51% of funds)
  - addressing slums and blight
  - meeting an urgent community need

#### CDBG Eligible Activities Linking to Brownfield Needs

- Demolition and removal
- Rehabilitation of public and private buildings
- Planning
- Construction or reconstruction of infrastructure, neighborhood centers, recreation/public works facilities
- Can include coping with contamination as part of site preparation or infrastructure development
- Can be lent to private companies in some circumstances
- For the state/small cities program
  - Each state sets it own project funding priorities, defines its own program requirements, within these objectives and activities



#### CDBG: Small Business Incubator, Walthill, NE

- HCCDC Business Center Building Renovation
- Renovated and modernized former 4,000 SF former electric power plant site, built in 1910, abandoned 20+ years
- Project Cost \$430,000
- Financing included
  - \$105,000 in state small/ cities CDBG
  - \$150,000 local sources





#### Economic Development Administration



- Key EDA related programs and initiatives include:
  - Public works grants finance industrial development site and infrastructure preparation
  - Economic dislocation program capitalizes RLFs for distressed areas
  - Rural planning to support revitalization, through EDDs
  - Key EDA eligibility factor high relative unemployment rate



## EDA



- EDA typically puts 50% + of its resources into small/mid-sized towns and rural areas
- Since 2001, ~\$250 million invested in ~250 brownfield projects
  - \$50 million in rural areas
  - 55% in public works
  - 9% in planning
  - 25% in economic adjustment



# Small Railroad Properties & Quality of Life



#### Atchison, KS

- Brownfield Funding
  - 128a Assessments (3),
    ~\$40,000
  - EPA Assessment Grant, \$200,000



#### Find Every Dollar, Leverage It



Federal DOT Congressional Earmark - through KDOT1,000,000.00KDOT Transportation Enhancement Program604,821.00Economic Development Administration409,100.00Kansas Dept. of Wildlife and Parks300,000.00HUD EDI Special Project Congressional Earmark281,657.00EPA Brownfields Assessment200,000.00Kansas Water Office50,000.00

**Total Federal and State Agencies** 

2,845,578.00





Breakdown by Source of Funding	<u>Dollar</u>	Percent	
Federal and State Agencies	2,845,578.00	68.4%	
Private Foundations	532,500.00	12.8%	
Private Citizens	447,130.00	10.7%	
City of Atchison	192,322.00	4.6%	
Private Businesses	143,328.00	3.4%	
Total Injection	4,160,858.00	100.0%	
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MGP Ingredients Corporate Office & Technical Innovation Center Cray Business Plaza, Atchison, Kansas



# USDA



Committed to the future of rural communities.

#### Rural Development Programs

- USDA rural development funds must meet broadly defined program objectives -- 4 key programs can do this within a brownfields context:
- Community facility loans and grants for a range of development and community benefit projects
- Business and industry loans to public or private organizations, for activities such as industrial park site development/rehabilitation or access ways
- Intermediary re-lending program intermediaries such as local governments are loaned money to re-lend to companies, in order to finance business facilities
- Rural development grants (RBEGs/RBOGs) given to provide operating capital and finance emerging private business and industry

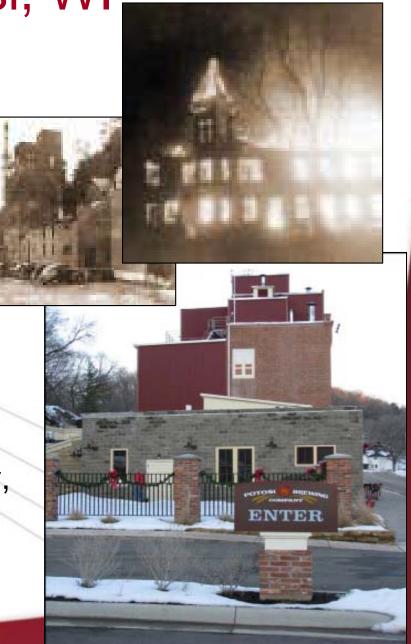




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#### USDA Potosi Brewery, Potosi, WI

- Brewery built 1852 in Potosi (700), abandoned 1972. Asbestos, lead paint, other contaminants
- \$3.3 million guaranteed loan key to securing additional \$4.2 million in financing
- Transformed Potosi's main street; community involvement key
- Result: Refurbished as microbrewery, brewing museum and library, opened June 2008
- 50 new jobs, 4 new beers





# **Transportation Programs**

- Must work thru state MPOs, local transportation agencies
- In March 2009, DOT re-affirmed its brownfield policy
   Transportation funding can be used for cleanup at sites integral to transportation system development/upgrades
- DOT highway/transit construction programs can support related revitalization by:
  - helping upgrade existing facilities
  - offer transportation amenities that improve access to and marketability of – sites
  - fund facilities and structures that serve as part of the remedial solution





### **DOT** Arterial Road Installation, Moline, IL

- largely abandoned riverfront, former industrial/warehousing uses
- converted to residential and marina/mixed use complex and commercial space
- \$3.2 million in state and federal funding included DOT funds for road grid and enhancements





# **Rehabilitation Tax Credits**

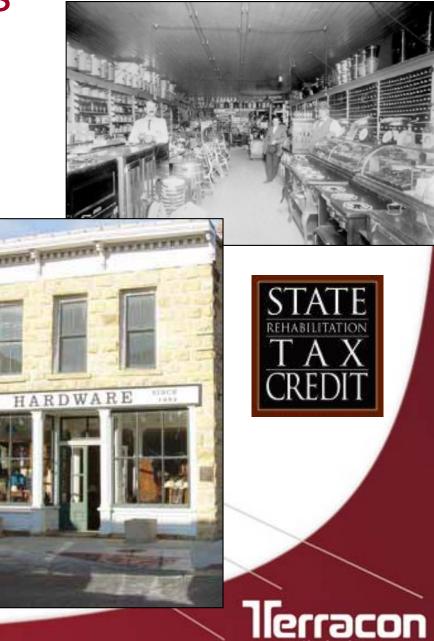
- Historic Preservation Credit
- Taken the year renovated building, in service
- 20% credit for work done on historic structures, with rehab work certified by state
- 10% credit for work on "non-historic" structures build before 1936; no certification required





## Philip Hardware Store Hays, Ellis County, Kansas

- Originally 1874 Hardware Store
- New Use: Retail/Residential
- Total Project Costs: \$424,932
  - Qualified Project Costs \$304,480
  - State Historic Tax Credits \$76,119
  - Federal Historic Tax Credits \$60,896
- Incentives Used:
  - State and Federal Historic Tax Credits
  - Property Tax Abatement
  - Heritage Trust Fund Grant



### Low-Income Housing Tax Credits

- Can encourage capital investment in affordable housing/target investment to certain areas – vacant properties, brownfields, infill locations, other priority sites
  - States get annual population-based allocation for distribution to communities and non-profits – approx. \$1.75 per capita
- Investors can get 9% annual credit for 10 years for qualified new construction/rehabilitation costs (i.e. 90% of total) for projects not financed with federal subsidy
  - Federal subsidy limits credit to 4%
- Credits can be used for new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition and rehabilitation



# **Common Local Financing Tools**

- Putting a Brownfields "Spin" on the Local Tried-and-True ... Making them Work for Site Cleanup and Reuse
  - Tax increment financing/TIF-style financing
  - Tax abatements
  - Tax forgiveness
  - Special service areas or taxing districts
  - Revolving loan funds (RLFs)
  - Property transfers



#### Small Midwest Cities Mixing & Matching

Population Doesn't Measure Success



- Population 18,000 today
- Funding for Brownfield Area
  - EPA Assessment Pilot, \$200,000
  - EPA Supplemental, \$100,000
  - EPA Supplemental, \$100,000
  - EPA BCRLF, \$1MIL
  - \$1.3MIL Corps of Engineers Public Assistance to States
  - \$900,000 Insurance Archaeology
  - \$80,000 PRP Archaeology
  - \$497,000 Economic Development Grant
  - EPA Assessment, \$375,000
  - EPA Assessment, \$380,000
  - EPA Assessment, \$387,000
  - EPA Assessment, \$364,000

## Leveraged Other Investment

- Hotel and Conference Center: \$70,000,000
  - Parking ramp and lot: \$9,400,000
  - Demolition: \$1,200,000
  - Wetlands mitigation: \$1,440,000
- Infrastructure improvements: \$6,377,300
  - \$16MIL Green Streetscape Grant supported by EPA Brownfield grants
- River Bend commercial/residential development: \$12,000,000
- Land Acquisition: \$30,000,000
- Additional \$60MIL under construction
  - 956 new jobs to date
  - 300 new medical professional & service jobs pending



#### SMALL CITY, BIG INNOVATIONS: PROJECT-WIDE REUSE & RECYCLING

- Complete buildings recycled
- Concrete and asphalt pavements
- Recycled 80,000 cubic yards







#### What about very small communities?

- Any community, even the smallest rural area, can face brownfield issues that may impede local development efforts.
- The question here is ... can they identify, combine and leverage \$\$\$ to achieve brownfield success?



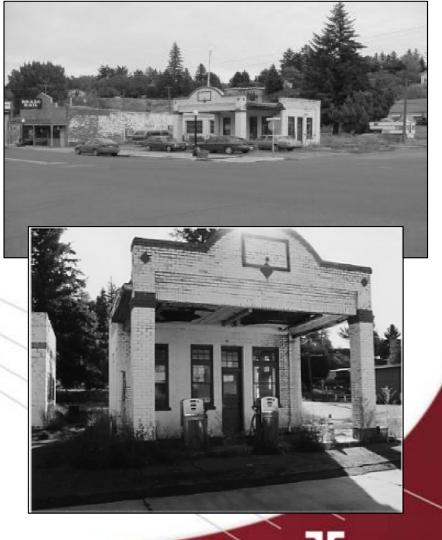
• Do they do it?

#### Rosalia, WA Population 600 Locally driven public-private partnerships can stimulate innovative site financing in small communities

- •1923 vintage Texaco gas station, in downtown Rosalia, WA
- Abandoned 21 years; UST issues
- Site as focus of "heritage tourism" main street revitalization strategy
- Converted to "gateway" retail, craft/farmers market, visitor center for nearby Steptoe Nat'l Battlefield, national forest

#### Public financing sources include:

- \$33,000 USTfields pilot grant
- \$54,000 WA Dept of Ecology grant
- \$45,000 Whitman County
  "community development '08" grant





## **Rosalia Partners**

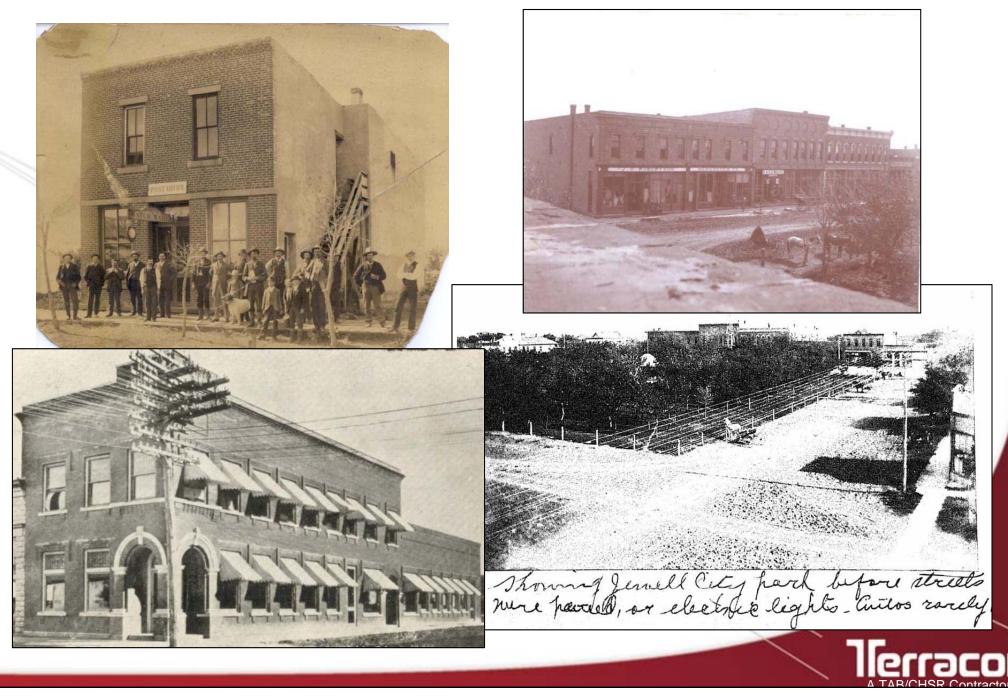
#### **Partner donations included**:

- Development grant sharing from surrounding counties
- Rosalia Lions Club
- Rosalia "Gifted Grannies"
- Retired Texaco Executives Assn.
- Pro bono legal, remedial services
- Utility incentive rates
- Community sweat equity
- <u>First-ever</u> partnership with a state Dept. of Corrections





## Jewell, KS Population 432



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# **QUESTION & ANSWER**

