



RECLAIMING BROWNFIELDS

WHAT ARE BROWNFIELDS?

"A brownfield is a property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant."

~U.S. EPA



WHAT DOES HLB DO?

The mission of the Houston Land Bank (HLB) is to strategically acquire, dispose, and steward vacant, abandoned, and damaged properties into productive use and to catalyze transformative community and economic development for the City of Houston, including brownfields. Brownfields can cause many issues in a community and are often difficult to redevelop because of the cost and liability associated with environmental contamination.

Brownfields Goals

#1

Advance Community Revitalization

#2

Drive Environmental & Climate Justice

#3

Leverage Additional Resources for Success

HOW TO IDENTIFY SITES?

HLB refers to these difficult to develop properties as Hidden Gems and made a survey to get community participation on where these properties are.



HIDDEN GEMS SURVEY

The goal is to identify brownfields throughout Houston using the input of those who know their area the best.

BROWNFIELD APPLICATION FORM

HLB seeks applications for FREE assessments and planning support for brownfields redevelopment projects. Eligible brownfields project activities include:



APPLY TODAY!

- Site Assessment/Due Diligence
- Community Engagement
- Special Projects/Area-Wide Planning

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