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### *Who is the Colfax Mainstreet Coalition?*

The Colfax Mainstreet Coalition (CMC) is a partnership between the City and County of Denver, the City of Lakewood, and the Denver Urban Renewal Authority (DURA). The partnership received an Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Assessment Grant which will be used to conduct brownfield assessments in order to assist in the revitalization of Colfax Avenue.

### *What is the Colfax Mainstreet Coalition Brownfields Assessment Grant?*

In 2012, the Coalition was awarded a \$900,000 brownfields grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to examine potential environmental contamination of sites along the Colfax Avenue corridor.

### *What specifically does the CMC do with grant funding?*

The grant will be used to fund environmental site assessments (ESA's) on both public and private brownfield properties within the Colfax corridor. These environmental site assessments will help determine the presence, nature and extent of potential contamination at sites, and identify specific cleanup needs. Interested property owners or developers would need to apply to the CMC to fund the ESA's.

### *What are the benefits of assessments and why are they being undertaken?*

By considering environmental effects and mitigation measures early in the project planning cycle, environmental assessment can support better decision making and result in many benefits, such as:

- avoidance or minimization of adverse environmental effects
- opportunities for public participation
- increased protection of human health
- reduced project costs and delays
- reduced risks of environmental harm or disasters
- increased government accountability and harmonization
- lessened probability of transboundary environmental effects
- informed decisions that contribute to responsible development of natural resources

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## What are the project boundaries?

The project boundaries are comprised of properties between 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenues, and from Yosemite Street to Indiana Street within the City and County of Denver and the City of Lakewood. Properties adjacent to the boundaries and areas along the West Corridor Light rail may also be considered.



## How do I apply for grant funding?

An application form (available on the project website) should be filled out and returned to the Colfax Mainstreet Coalition. The application gathers information regarding the history of the property, a desired scope of work to be performed, and why the applicant would like for the assessment work to be performed. Additional information may be required after initial review of material.

## How can I get more information?

Project website: [www.colfaxmainstreetcoalition.org](http://www.colfaxmainstreetcoalition.org)

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