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NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY Historic Brownfield Revitalization Program

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- BACKGROUND:** The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development Office of Brownfield Remediation and Development (OBRD) was established to further the State's commitment to revitalizing brownfield properties in Connecticut.
- PURPOSE:** The purposes of the Historic Brownfield Revitalization Program are to provide funds to eligible applicants to characterize, assess, and conduct planning and on priority historic brownfield sites statewide.
- GOAL:** To invest in the assessment and redevelopment of historically significant brownfield sites. The goal is to fund approximately five (5) projects that will perform 1) soil and groundwater environmental assessments, 2) hazardous building materials surveys, 3) structural analysis, and 4) reuse planning for historically significant brownfield sites (i.e., historic mills and other sites of historic significance). Additional goals include leveraging the maximum amount of non-State funds possible to increase the impact of the State's investment, reactivating long-stalled sites and encouraging innovative or unique historic reuse strategies.
- ADMINISTRATION:** DECD Office of Brownfield Remediation and Development and State Historic Preservation Office
- TARGET GEOGRAPHY:** Statewide
- TYPE OF FUNDING:** Grants of up to \$300,000 per applicant
- SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Approximately \$1,500,000 of State General Obligation bond funds through DECD will be made available under this NOFA.
- ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:** A Municipality as defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. sec. 32-760 (12) or an Economic Development Agency, as defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. sec. 32-760 (6). Eligible sites are those that are eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, State Register, or are a designated Local Historic Property.
- ELIGIBLE USES OF ASSISTANCE:** Costs associated with the investigation and assessment, and reuse planning of a historically significant brownfield site, including but not limited to: soil, groundwater and infrastructure investigation; assessment; hazardous building materials surveys; structural analysis, planning, engineering and environmental consulting.
- APPLICATION CYCLE:** Applications will be accepted until 4 p.m. on November 17, 2014. The application and other program material are available at the OBRD website.
Questions related to the NOFA should be emailed to Brownfields@ct.gov by October 27, 2014. Responses will be posted on the OBRD website by October November 3, 2014.
- Applicants should expect to participate in an in-person interview in Hartford in the week of December 8 or December 15.**
- Awards will be made in January 2015.
- DISCLAIMER:** DECD reserves the right to amend or cancel this NOFA, to modify or waive any requirement, condition or other term set forth in this NOFA or the program application, to request additional information at any time from one or more applicants, to select any number of applications submitted in response to this NOFA, or to reject any or all such applications, in each case at DECD's sole



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discretion. DECD may exercise the foregoing rights at any time without notice and without liability to any applicant or any other party. Applications to this NOFA shall be prepared at the sole expense of the applicant and shall not obligate DECD to procure any of the services described therein or herein from any applicant. DECD shall not be obligated to any applicant until a final written agreement has been executed by all necessary parties thereto and all applicable approvals have been obtained. As such, any funds expended by the applicant prior to these approvals will be done so entirely at the risk of the applicant.