

Calumet Collaborative Brownfields Initiative Dashboard



What, How, & Measuring Success

What: Align on sustainable bi-state redevelopment strategies for Brownfields and underutilized land.

How: Build off existing resources including vacant land and community assets, utilize productive reuse examples, identify opportunities for action, while engaging multiple stakeholders throughout the process.

Metrics

Coming 2019

Project

Dates

Tasks and Progress

Next Steps

IIT Institute of Design “Future of Brownfields” 2019 course

January - May 2019

Explore if new technologies, infrastructures, digital platforms, and emerging financial services could empower local residents towards reactivating abandoned properties and vacant land.

Create prototypes and test within the community.
Invite Brownfield experts to participate in course workshops.

[Calumet Brownfield Mapping Project](#)

Current - Q4 2019

Create a GIS map of Brownfields & underutilized land in the Calumet region, noting the environmental condition and highlighting surrounding community assets. Community engagement will identify needs to be considered for sustainable redevelopment strategies.

Present baseline map of brownfields and underutilized land to Brownfield Working Group for feedback.
Kick off community engagement project with Delta Institute.

Underutilized Land Municipality Toolkit

Second Half 2019

Create educational resources based on the GIS map and community engagement for municipalities, professionals, developers, and others working with economic development in the region.

Will start after the Brownfields map has been created.

Partners

Black Metropolis Heritage Commission, Chicago Community Trust, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), Chicago Neighborhoods Initiative, City of Gary, Congressman Visloskey’s Office, Cook County Bureau of Economic Development, Cook County Environment and Sustainability, Cook County Planning and Development, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Illinois EPA, Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) Institute of Design, Illinois International Port District, Indiana Regional Development Authority, Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC), Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD), Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, Northwest Indiana Forum, Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC), OAI Inc, RW Ventures, South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA), University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) Voorhees Center

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