

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 work	January - May 2019	"Act Calumet" explores how technology can empower local residents to reactivate abandoned properties. "Flag Calumet" connects residents to nature with public art installations that collect data on natural surroundings.	Create prototypes and test within the community. Invite Brownfield experts to connect with students and participate in course workshops.
Calumet Brownfield Mapping Project	Current - Q4 2019	Create a GIS map of Brownfields & underutilized land in the Calumet region, overlaid with assets and zoning information to understand opportunities and barriers.	Working with UIC to contract a student knowledgeable of GIS. Present baseline map of brownfields and underutilized land to Brownfield Working Group for feedback.
Community Engagement	Current - Q4 2019	Partnering with Delta Institute to create a network that will capture community perspectives on redevelopment of underutilized land.	Conducting outreach to understand community based organizations in the Calumet.
Underutilized Land Municipality Toolkit	Second Half 2019	Create educational resources based on the GIS map and community engagement for municipalities and others working to redevelop underutilized land.	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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