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\$1,000,000 in EPA Supplemental Funding Awarded to the South Florida Regional Planning Council for Brownfields Cleanup and Redevelopment

The SFRPC is Florida's sole Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund grantee selected in this round of EPA Brownfields supplemental funding



Hollywood, FL – The South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) has been awarded a **\$1 million Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Supplemental Grant** by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to supplement its existing Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund program. The designated funds will be used for the remediation of the **former Hollywood Incinerator Ash Dump (HIAD)** site in Hollywood, Florida.

The SFRPC was among 31 existing Revolving Loan Fund recipients nationwide selected for supplemental funding to help advance viable cleanup projects. EPA has awarded SFRPC \$8.7 million to date for its Brownfields RLF program, with this new \$1 million grant adding to that total. The program provides financing for the cleanup and redevelopment of contaminated and underutilized properties across the region.

“We are grateful for EPA’s continued investment and proud to continue this important work in partnership with our local communities. This latest EPA supplemental award reflects the broader regional impact of the South Florida Regional Planning Council’s Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund program, from the Old Baltuff Dump in Monroe County, to the former Hollywood Incinerator Ash Dump, to multiple projects in Miami-Dade and other sites across the region, advancing environmental restoration, redevelopment, housing, and resilience across South Florida,” said the Honorable René García, SFRPC Chair, Miami-Dade County Commissioner, and former State Senator.

The award is part of EPA’s latest funding announcement, which includes more than \$270 million in Brownfields grants and supplemental funding nationwide, including \$22.5 million for a select group of high-performing

Brownfields RLF grantees. These funds will help communities assess, clean up, and redevelop underutilized properties while protecting public health and the environment.

The new funding builds on a previous \$2 million RLF Supplemental Award received in 2025 and will continue to support the ongoing **Park Road rehabilitation project at the former HIAD site**, a transformative public-private partnership that will convert the site into a vibrant, mixed-use community **anchored by affordable housing, civic space, and neighborhood-serving retail**. The project advances long-standing regional goals around environmental cleanup, economic revitalization, public health, community resilience, and the productive reuse of underutilized land.



“Hollywood residents have waited far too long for this land to reach its potential, and this latest EPA award marks another milestone in finally making that happen. Every step forward is deeply gratifying and knowing that substantial housing is part of the vision ahead makes this win even more meaningful for our community,” said the Honorable Quentin “Beam” Furr, Treasurer of the South Florida Regional Planning Council, and Broward County Commissioner.

The SFRPC has administered an EPA-funded Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (BCRLF) since 2001. Through this program, the SFRPC funds environmental site assessment, remediation, and subsequent redevelopment across Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe counties. The SFRPC staff and technical consultants help borrowers achieve compliance with EPA requirements and provide them with information about financial incentives, such as tax credits, to support loan repayment.

Through the BCRLF, the SFRPC works in partnership with local and state agencies to leverage additional economic development tools, supporting projects that foster job creation, workforce housing, neighborhood-scale commercial redevelopment, and public health improvements. The program helps reduce investment risk and encourage redevelopment in communities historically overlooked for capital investment. Brownfields redevelopment projects funded through the SFRPC generate lasting regional impacts by stimulating the economy, enhancing community resilience, and expanding access to opportunity.

To learn more about the Council’s Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund or to inquire about available funding, please contact Senior Loan Officer Jeffrey Tart at 954-924-3653 or jtart@sfrpc.com.

About the South Florida Regional Planning Council

The South Florida Regional Planning Council is the largest of Florida's ten regional planning councils by population. The Council serves three counties—Monroe, Miami-Dade, and Broward—70 municipalities and an estimated 4.9 million residents. The membership of the South Florida Regional Planning Council consists of county and municipal elected officials, gubernatorial appointees, and ex-officio members from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Department of Transportation, and the South Florida Water Management District. The Council supports the region's elected leaders and public, private, and nonprofit stakeholders through regional, collaborative planning and the development and implementation of programs and strategies which create a better future for Southeast Florida.

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