

CBN Member Newsflash: September 2018 - #2



Do You Know of a Project, Program or Person That Has Broken New Ground in Brownfields? Only 1 Week Left to Nominate It - Nominations Close October 5!

If you know of a person, program or project that contributes to the redevelopment of unused, underused or contaminated sites, or generally advances the national brownfield agenda, **you have only one week to nominat her/him/it!** As a CBN member or stakeholder, you're almost certainly involved in brownfields, one way or another - either you're part of such a project/program, or you know of one. Recognize that work with a Brownie nomination!

The Brownies recognize the builders, innovators and visionaries who are dedicated to the rehabilitation of brownfield sites and turn them into productive residential, recreational, commercial and industrial projects that contribute to the growth of healthy communities across Canada.

What type of project or program is a potential Brownie winner? Looking at two previous winners may give you some ideas

• BC Hydro Rock Bay Remediation Project (CSAP), the REMEDIATE winner for 2017. Operated as a manufactured gas facility from the 1860s to the mid-1900s, Rock Bay was initially listed as a "High Risk" contaminated site by the BC Ministry of Environment, and the land had become underutilized and derelict with significant contamination severely limiting redevelopment options. A remediation strategy was developed based on stakeholder engagement (community, regulators, First Nations) to cost effectively reduce liability, comply with BC regulations and obtain remediation Certificates of Compliance. Although 240,000 tonnes of contaminated material was removed initially, some contamination remained. Between 2013 and 2015, complex remedial excavations removed an additional 65,000 tonnes of material. Post-remedial contamination was addressed through detailed human health and ecological risk assessments. As a result, BC Hydro's remedial objectives have been achieved, enabling reclamation of this Brownfield site, stabilization of heritage buildings, future property divestment and development, and overall neighbourhood improvement.

• The Metalworks, the RENEW winner for 2016. Originally the site of a distillery and, later, factories, the property at 5 Arthur Street South was remediated by the Kilmer Brownfield Equity Fund. In 2013 Fusion Homes purchased it and are now implementing a \$300 million, six-phase, master-planned development comprising 650-plus residential units within five high-rise towers lined at street level with brick-façade townhomes. This transit-friendly, environmentally sensitive urban village will be built over the next five to ten years and will include over 100,000 square feet of new green space, a fifty-foot wide publicly accessible River Walk enhancing connectivity to the Speed River and the neighbouring Heritage Park, a proposed 30,000 square feet of retail/commercial space, and a heritage building, dated to the early 19th century, with an envisioned restoration and repurposing.

What do you need to know about the Brownies?

- Anyone can submit a project or program
- There are six project/program categories (REPROGRAM; REMEDIATE; REINVEST; REBUILD; RENEW; and REACH OUT) and one individual category (BROWNFIELDER OF THE YEAR) - details on CBN's <u>Brownies page</u>
- There's no requirement that the nominated project/program involve a CBN member
- The list and a description of short-listed projects/programs will be published on the awards (<u>BrownieAwards.ca</u>) and CBN websites (<u>CanadianBrownfieldsNetwork.ca</u>)
- Nominations close Friday, October 5, 2018
- The winning projects will be announced at the Brownie Awards Gala November 21, 2018
- · There is no fee to nominate a project, program or person

For the full Brownies FAQ, see the CBN website.

Do You Know of a Potential Award-Winning Project?

Now's your chance to submit it before the nominations deadline October 5, 2018. To nominate a project, program or Brownfielder of the Year, please go to Brownfielder or the CBN Brownies page.

NOMINATE NOW!

The Awards will be Presented at the Brownie Awards Gala November 21, 2018 -Will <u>You</u> Be There?

If you are aware of someone who, like you, is a supporter of brownfield redevelopment in Canada and might like to nominate a project, program or person for an Award, please feel free to share this e-mail with them.

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