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CBN Vision

To advocate brownfields redevelopment as an essential component of sustainable communities and urban revitalization in Canada

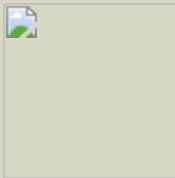
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CBN Mandate

- Act as enabling mechanism to implement recommendations made by the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy for a national brownfields strategy
- Deliver outreach and capacity-building initiatives to raise awareness on the benefits of brownfields redevelopment
- Create linkages and connectivity between private industry, government agencies and non-governmental organizations
- Consolidate regional and local issues into an integrated plan for national and provincial action

UPCOMING EVENTS



- [Jan 19 , 2006](#)
Sustainable Investing - will we reach a tipping point?
Toronto Ontario Canada
- [Jan 26-27 , 2006](#)
ECO Canada Conference 2006 & the Environmental Employer of the Year Awards
Toronto Ontario Canada
- [Feb 7, 2006](#)
FCM's Sustainable Communities National Conference and Trade Show 2006
Ottawa Ontario Canada
- [Mar 7-10, 2006](#)
Federal Contaminated Sites National Workshop
Ottawa Ontario Canada

CBN Select Achievements

- **November 7, 2005 - CBN Letter of Advocacy to Minister of Finance, The Honourable Ralph Goodale, P.C., M.P.**
RE: Deductibility of Interest and Other Expenses
This letter was with respect to a policy initiative on the ongoing efforts to restrict the deductibility of interest and other expenses. (read more)
This issue is of concern to the following respective organizations: CREA; Canadian Brownfields Network; Toronto Board of Trade; Direct Sellers Association; Canadian Institute of Mortgage Brokers and Lenders; Canadian Association of Home and Property Inspectors; Canadian Federation of Independent Business; and the Real Estate Institute of Canada;
- November 2005 - CBN made a joint submission with the CUI to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance recommending the deductibility of remediation expenses from other income;
- October 2005 - CBN joined with the Canadian Real Estate Association and other stakeholders to submit a letter to Finance Minister Goodale to recommend removal of proposed restrictions on the deductibility of interest and other expenses;
- Delivery of high profile conferences and workshops
 - [Making it Happen, Redevelopment and Revitalization in Saint John, NB](#), Nov 18, 2005
 - [Banff Brownfields Workshop](#), Oct 19, 2005
 - [Canadian Brownfields Conference](#), Oct 13-14, 2005
 - [FCM Green Municipal Fund's Financing Concept](#), Apr. 5, 2005
 - [Removal of Liens and Tax Arrears](#), Mar. 9, 2005

- [Membership base](#) of more than 200 practitioners and stakeholders

Announcements

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CBN has Enhanced its Website: We have changed the functionality, look and feel of the website and added new content and features. Please visit us at www.CanadianBrownfieldsNetwork.ca

Please note: If you joined the CBN at last year's Canadian Brownfields Conference and attended this year's conference, but did not renew your subscription, you will need to renew your membership in order to access the Members Features. To renew, [click here](#).

Happy Holidays!

This is our last edition before the holidays and from all of us here at Canadian Brownfields Network, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Our office is closed from December 23rd 2005 to January 1st 2006 inclusive, and will re-open on January 2nd 2006.

- **Action Niagara: The Economics of Smart Growth**
Sheraton Fallsview Hotel and Conference Centre (Dec 14, 2005)
The Niagara Economic Development Corporation hosted this one-day event that provided inspiration and insight into the principles of smart growth that underscore community and set the tone for a longer-term process of assessing the region's strengths, meeting challenges and building a common sense of purpose.
This event was sponsored by: Niagara Economic Development Corporation, Niagara Region, Smarter Niagara, Canadian Urban Institute, aboutRemediation.com & Canadian Brownfields Network.
Speakers included: Debbie Zimmerman - CEO of Grape Growers of Ontario Councillor for Grimsby; Storm Cunningham - Executive Director, Revitalization Institute; Hon. David Caplan - Minister, Public Infrastructure Renewal; Rino Mostacci - Director, Community Development and Services, Town of Fort Erie; Tony Miele - President and Chief Executive Officer, Ontario Realty Corporation; Cheeying Ho - Board Member, Vancity and Executive Director, SmartGrowth BC
To view the presentation summaries [click here](#).
- **Breakfast Session/Announcement**
Brownfields Assume Centre Stage (December 16, 2005)
The Canadian Urban Institute presented, jointly with the Canadian Brownfields Network (CBN), a Special Roundtable Breakfast where the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, gave an update on planning reform and brownfields redevelopment. The Minister announced the launch of a new one-ticket window, www.brownfields.ontario.ca, on the Ontario government website, and the appointment of a new Brownfields Coordinator, Marcia Wallace.
Responses to Ontario Brownfield initiatives were provided by members of the Canadian Brownfields Network Advisory panel: Angus Ross, Chair, Canadian Brownfields Network Advisory Panel; Marguerite Ceschi-Smith, Brantford Councillor and chair of AMO's new Brownfields taskforce; Ron Shishido, MCIP, RPP, Partner, Dillon Consulting, and past president of both OPPI and CIP; Todd Latham, President, We Communications.
- **Co-operative Education (co-op) opportunities with Seneca College**
Seneca College of Applied Arts & Technology has three exciting and diverse co-op programs that may be of interest

to you for the summer of 2006. For more information, read the posting [here](#).

• **New Corporate Members:**

We wish a warm welcome to the newest Corporate Members:

- City of Kingston
- Golder Associates
- Lafarge North America
- Quantum Environmental Group

CHRONICLE

Canadian Brownfields Chronicle



CBN members are entitled to a complementary issue of HazMat Management Magazine, a new benefit of CBN membership. The magazine is the official publication of the Canadian Brownfields Network, and the Canadian Brownfields Chronicle is featured in four issues per year.

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COMMUNITIES*

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