



**Camden Lutheran Housing, Inc  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Brownfield Cleanup Grant Application Summary  
November 2023**

Camden Lutheran Housing, Inc. is seeking grant funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to conduct environmental cleanup at the former West Jersey Paper Manufacturing site, located at the northeast corner of North Front & Elm Streets in Camden, NJ. The former industrial site is currently a vacant lot surrounded by residential properties and remediation of the property will allow for its redevelopment as much needed affordable housing for the community.

Over the years of operation since 1885, various building configurations and oil/chemical/water storage locations were employed at the site. On an annual basis, the EPA offers grants for the purpose of assisting communities in addressing contaminated brownfield sites like this former paper manufacturing site. The 2023 proposal to the EPA by Camden Lutheran Housing will request funds for the cleanup phase, which, once completed, will safeguard the community from contamination and allow for the property to be rehabilitated. If approved, an EPA cleanup grant will provide up to \$2 million, with no matching funds required.

**Public Meeting**

The public is invited to review and comment on the draft EPA application via Zoom

**October 30 at 6:00pm**

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: 827 3429 8101

Passcode: 390689

By Phone: +1 267 831 0333

Brownfield Redevelopment Solutions, Inc. (BRS) has been hired to prepare and submit the EPA grant application on behalf of Camden Lutheran Housing. BRS has written over 200 EPA Assessment, Cleanup, and Revolving Loan applications for its clients. In FY2023, EPA anticipates awarding an estimated 65 Cleanup Grants for an estimated \$95 million, making these grants highly competitive.

Copies of the draft application, including the draft EPA-required Analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives document, will be available for public review and comment before the public meeting and at the Camden Lutheran Housing, Inc. office at 800 Galindez Ct #101, Camden, NJ between 9:00am and 2:00pm. If unable to attend, any questions or comments regarding the EPA grant application, including requests to view application drafts, should be directed to Brandi Johnson of Camden Lutheran Housing at [bjohnson@clhi.org](mailto:bjohnson@clhi.org) or Emily Arnold of BRS, Inc. at [earnold@brsinc.com](mailto:earnold@brsinc.com).

