

Research Project on Ontario Municipal Brownfield Policies

Dear Municipal Planner,

We are conducting a research project funded through the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada on Ontario's Municipal Policies brownfields (BF) redevelopment. We want to survey Ontario's Municipalities to learn more about incentivizing redevelopment, current policy effectiveness, BF community support, benefits and risks of BF programs. This research is the second component of a larger project regarding brownfields in Ontario, we have already met with government officials, developers, planners, consultants, and other relevant community representatives in a number of cities in Ontario.

We hope you would be willing to complete our web-based survey.

This survey will be provided on a web-based platform or by electronic or paper request. This survey will be divided into two general areas: (1) Land Information & Policy, and (2) Funding & Support. Section one includes questions of municipal Community Improvement Plans (CIP), municipal governed brownfields registry, a BF Coordinator, and effectiveness and tracking of BF projects at the municipal level. The second section will ask the nature of internal incentivized funding programs to BF, external funding programs, internal support for BF redevelopment, as well as external municipal support. Lastly, we ask the respondent to provide their opinion on the role of developers, FCM, and other governmental jurisdictions in BF involvement.

We also ask you to suggest a case study in your municipality for the next phase of our research, we would be pleased to hear about a potential case study from your area.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. Your responses will always be confidential. This web-based survey may take twenty (20) to forty-five (45) minutes to complete.

This study has been approved by the Ryerson Research Ethics Board.

Survey Link: https://survey.ryerson.ca:443/s?s=6266

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions,

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