BREW Brownfield Reuse & Environmental Workforce Program

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Launch a career in environmental work!

Get trained. Get certified. Get hired.

The Brownfield Reuse and Environmental Workforce (BREW) Program is a US Environmental Protection Agency-funded program that provides training for careers in environmental investigation, environmental remediation, restoration, and site services. These jobs are in growing demand across San Diego and California with average starting wages of $22/hour. This program provides you with federal certifications, career-specific training, and career support including employer connections and job placement assistance.

The approximately 12-week long part-time BREW Program includes:

6 Online Workforce Training Courses (48 hours total)

- Pollution to Possibility: Communities in Transition
- Environmental Sampling & Monitoring
- Brownfield Data Collection & Analysis
- Community Engagement & Project Coordination
- Brownfield Regulatory Compliance & Environmental Standards
- Brownfields, Contaminants, & Hazardous Materials Handling

4 In-Person Federal Certifications (62 hours total)

- 40-hour HAZWOPER (Hazardous Waste Operations & Emergency Response)
- 10-Hour OSHA Construction Safety
- 4-Hour Confined Space Entry Certification
- 8-hour First Aid / CPR

Apply Now!

First cohort begins January 2027

Scan the QR code above or visit:
brownfields.sdsu.edu/brew

Program Eligibility

You must be 18 or older, have a high school diploma or GED, and be comfortable working in written and spoken English to participate.

Program Scholarships

If you're unemployed, underemployed, and/or have military affiliation and live in the following areas you may qualify for a fully paid scholarship, including a stipend. No experience needed.

- Barrio Logan
- Logan Heights
- Southcrest
- San Ysidro
- National City
- Imperial Beach
- Chula Vista

BREW is an EPA-funded workforce development initiative led by San Diego State University's Center for Regional Sustainability.