

Limitless Vistas, Inc.

"The greatest opportunity coincides with the greatest need."




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Environmental Job Training Program

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ABOUT LVI....

- A non-profit organization dedicated to providing environmental job training for youth
- Enabling students to seek employment with confidence in the environmental industry.




Mission

- Assist young people complete their education
- Learn the necessary skills to become gainfully employed
- Become involve in community Environmental and Construction Service Learning Projects.




LVI's Goal

- Help disadvantaged young people reconnect to society through education and job training;
- Impart job skills and behaviors to help facilitate gainful employment, build hope, families, communities and foster economic growth;
- Help young people become stewards of their environment while introducing them to entry level career opportunities in the environmental field and green jobs.



Training Program


Sherry Callaway, P. G.



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Training Program


The training involves a combination of classroom activities, on-the-job training, internships and mentoring through working with professionals in the industry.



Types of Environmental Training and Programs


LVI provides training programs in the following areas:

- Environmental Community Service Projects
- Environmental Site Assessment and Remediation
- Community Surveying/Condition Assessments
- Brownfields Site Evaluation (Soil and water sampling)
- Abandoned Gas Stations Site Assessment
- Environmental Construction
- Home Weatherization
- Pre and Post Test Energy Audits
- Water and Wastewater Operations



Certifications

- 40 Hour HAZWOPER
- 10 and/or 30 Hour OSHA Construction Safety
- 32 Hour Asbestos Worker Certification
- Lead and Mold Remediation
- Building and Performance Analysis



ADDITIONAL PROGRAM BENEFITS

- AmeriCorps Scholarship
- Living Allowance
- Internship Opportunities subsidized by LVI

Job Training and Community Service Learning Projects

- Internships-New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board
- Internships-Veolia Wastewater Treatment
- Internships- Barnes, Ferland and Associates (BFA)
- Internships- Threefold Environmental
- Internships- Core USA. Energy Consultant
- Internships- Beck Disaster Recovery (Now SAIC)


Wastewater Operators- In-Training






Service Learning Projects

- Soil Sampling –Federal City – Algiers
- Leaf Environmental
- New Orleans Central City- Environmental Site Assessment
- Wetlands Conservation, LSU Agriculture
- Center/America's Wetland Conservation Corps (AWCC)
- Community Surveying for Restoring Public Playgrounds in the Historic Central City Community
- Central City Renaissance Alliance and City of New Orleans Recreation Department (NORD)
- Preservation of Natural Habitats, Audubon Nature Institute
- Repair and/or Removal Sidewalks



Wetland Conservation Corps

America's Wetland Conservation Corps (AWWC)

- Develops restoration projects designed to engage communities in wetland conservation activities.
- Coordinate hands-on restoration projects including vegetative planting, restorative interventions and community-wide cleanups for volunteers.




Greenhouse view of project.




Concrete and Construction

G&C Concrete and Construction, LLC

- Train construction and masonry techniques.
- Carpentry skills framing and forming;
- Operational skills of power tools and heavy machinery;
- Pouring concrete;
- Mild plumbing; measuring; leveling the ground; and blue print reading.



Student smoothes out freshly poured concrete.



A frame for sidewalk replacement.

Phase I and II Site Assessments






Central City Planters Grove Park







Central City Planters Grove Park

Central City Planters Grove Park- Opens To The Community

Success Stories

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Darryl Lutcher

Success Stories

LVI Highlights


- Over 250 Students Have Benefitted From Our Program
- 150 Participants have secured jobs
- 10 Participants have received their GED
- 30 Participants enrolled in college and have been able to use their AmeriCorps Scholarship to take a wide variety of classes including physics, Engineering, Science, Nursing and Business.

Iryn Rowan


- Under LVI, Iryn earned his 40-hour Hazardous Waste Operator, 32-hour Asbestos Worker, 10-hour OSHA Construction Safety and Lead and Mold Awareness, certifications.

Currently, Iryn is well on his way to establishing a career as a plumber and is employed with Gallo Mechanical where he does both commercial and residential plumbing and pipefitting earning \$15.50 hour. He is working at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. He is also currently attending Delgado Community College further his education in the Heating, Ventilation and Air Condition (HVAC) field with the assistance of the AmeriCorps scholarship he earned while participating in the LVI program.

Calvina McDowell



At the tender age of 11, Calvina's Mother died and she drifted from one foster parent to another. By the age of 20, she found herself raising two little girls. She entered LVI's training program, earned her GED received over \$3000 and is eligible for an additional \$5000 scholarship through AmeriCorps program. She is currently enrolled in the Nursing Program at Delgado Community College and works part time with LVI.



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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS PROGRAMS

Patrick A. Barnes



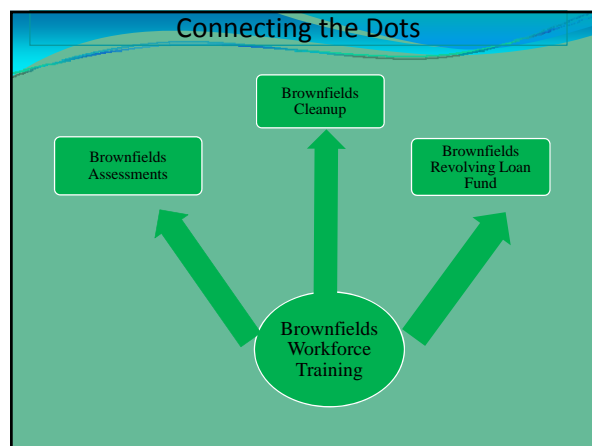
FUNDING

- 2007-2009 EPA – Brownfields Job Training Grant (In Partnership with Goodwill Industries)
- 2010-2012 EPA---Brownfields Job Training Grant
- Applying for: 2013-2016- EPA Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grant Program



Purpose of the Grants

To provide funding to recruit, train, and place residents of Brownfield impacted communities in secure full-time, sustainable, employment in the environmental field. Particularly in the assessment, cleanup and redevelopment of their communities.



The Road to Job Creation

- Help at-risk residents take advantage of the jobs created by the assessment, cleanup, and revitalization of contaminated or potentially contaminated or idle properties in their own neighborhood. Also, help expose these non-traditional individuals to jobs in the overall water resources management industry and environmental sustainability movement.

BENEFITS OF HIRING TRAINED BROWNFIELDS WORKERS

- Trained Employees
- Tax Credits



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