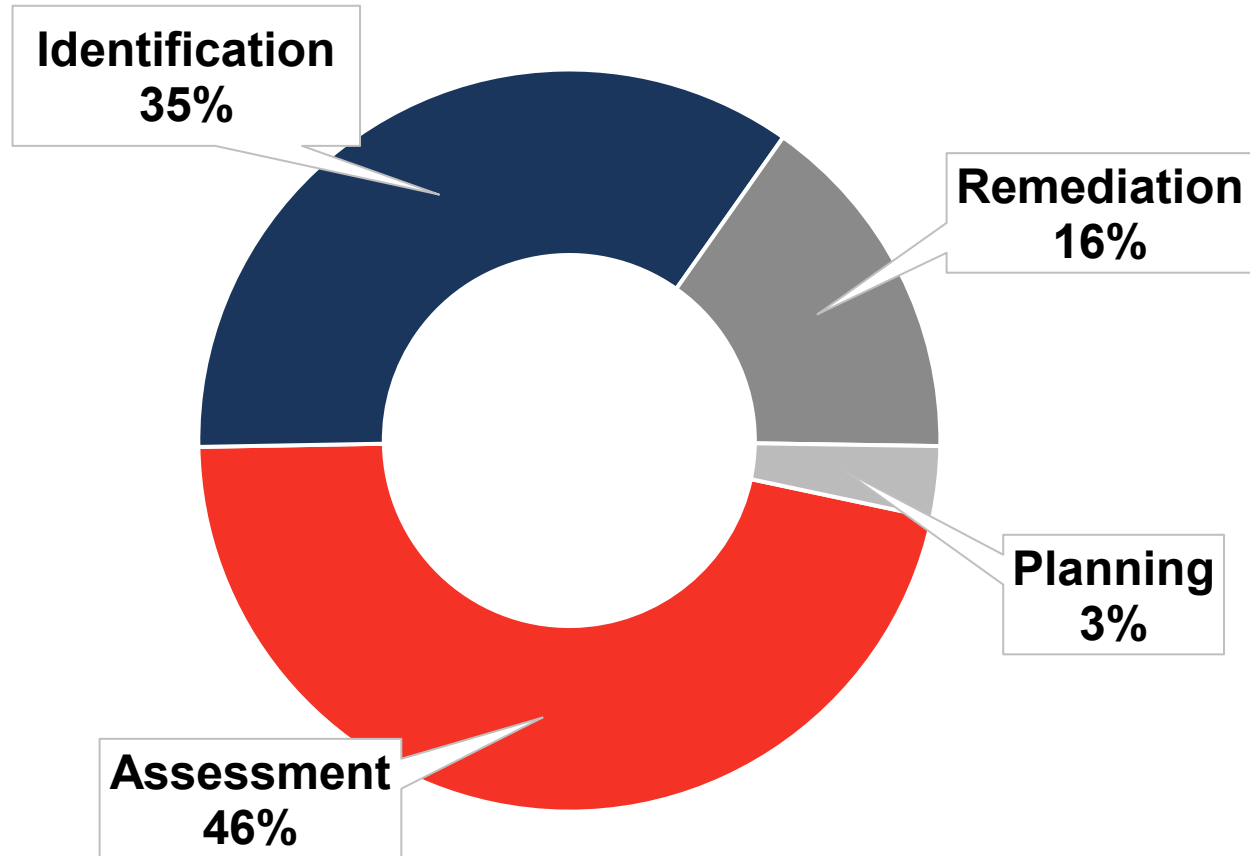


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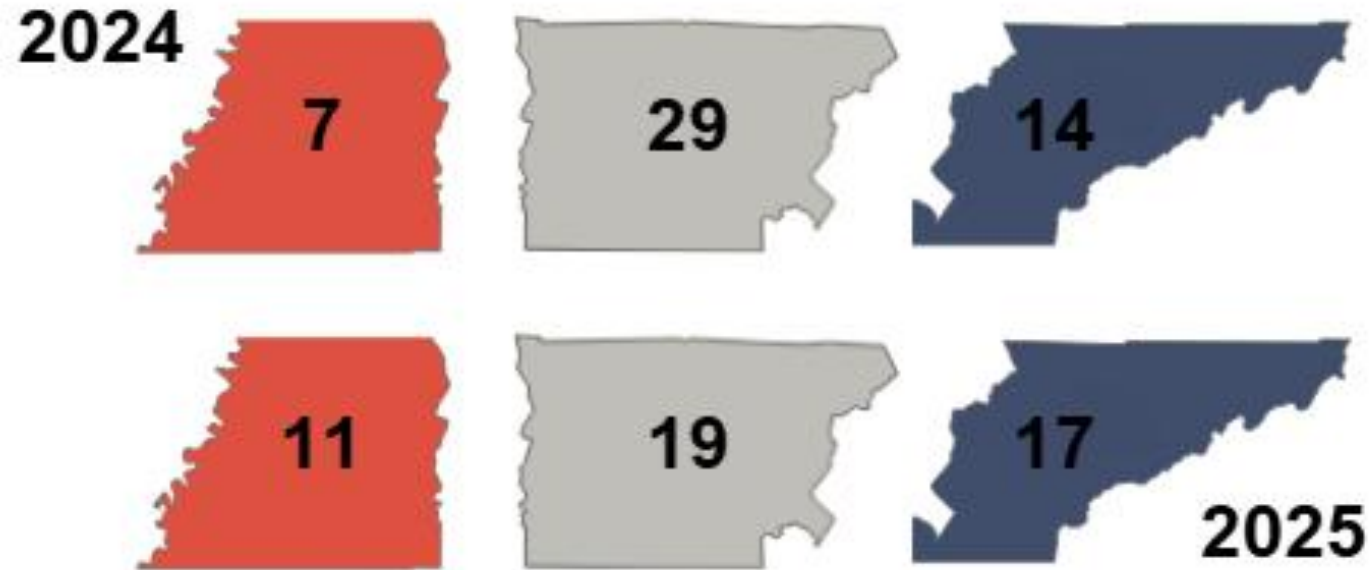
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# BRAG by the Numbers 2024 & 2025



- 97 grants awarded totaling \$11,540,741.63.
- Currently 67 of those are open and active.
- \$2 million dollars in projects completed.
- 35 new sites added to the VOAP, meaning these properties are now being investigated and/or remediated.

# BRAG by the Numbers 2024 & 2025



- Across 2024 and 2025, most awarded applications came from the Middle region (49.48%), followed by the East (31.96%) and the West (18.56%).
- Over \$4.9 million dollars have been awarded to Tier 3 and Tier 4 distressed counties.

# COMING SOON: Dashboard



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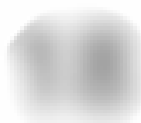
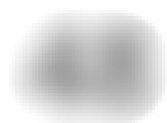
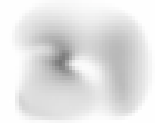
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Total Number of Grants by Grand Division

| WEST                                                                               | MIDDLE                                                                               | EAST                                                                                 |
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Awarded Grant Amount



# BRAG Success – Hero's Hill - Knoxville



- \$500K Remediation Grant
- Former Foote Mineral Company manganese ore separation facility with metals contamination in soil.
- Additional characterization and remediation was needed to allow for residential housing for homeless veterans.
- Site work includes installation of protective soil cap, environmental monitoring, soil management, installation of slab on grade foundations, and verification sampling to ensure no risk of exposure to the veterans
- Broke ground in February 2026, project is substantially complete with a ribbon cutting completed on August 27th.