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# Cleanup Begins at Former Auto Repair Shop

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**Campau Avenue Drum Site**  
Detroit, Michigan

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## Webpage

For more details about the cleanup  
visit the webpage at:

<https://response.epa.gov/Campauavedrum>



## Upcoming Work at the Former Auto Repair Shop

**EPA's first step will be to secure the site with fencing and temporary signs** to prevent unauthorized people from entering the property. The city of Detroit was prepared to demolish the building on the property but referred the site to EPA after unmarked drums and other containers were found in the building.

**EPA's initial screening results indicate that 16 55-gallon drums may contain hazardous waste.** In addition, **sampling throughout the building has confirmed the presence of asbestos-containing materials.** EPA anticipates the cleanup may take a few weeks to complete.



## Ensuring Safety

**EPA will begin the cleanup immediately because the former repair shop is close to a school and residences.** EPA is coordinating with Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE); Detroit Health Department; City of Detroit Environmental Affairs; Detroit Public School System Department of Environmental Health and Safety; and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). EPA is working along with federal, state and local partners to ensure the safety of those living and working in the area.