



Single-Family Home Residential turf buy back grant application guide

DWA is excited to announce that \$500,000 is available for turf buy back grants for the 2016-17 program year.

Apply at www.dwa.org/turf

Applications will be accepted starting August 17 at noon. **Applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis – incomplete applications will require resubmission and will not retain their place in the queue.** Please note that this is a very competitive process and these funds should not be relied upon as a source of funding for projects in development. Last year only a fifth of projects were approved.

The program requirements have changed significantly from past years. Please review the information below about application and eligibility.

New this year

- Rebates are for **\$1** per square foot converted. Additional grants and funding sources are permitted.
- The maximum rebate amount is \$1,500.
- Artificial turf will be counted as plant cover.
- Applications are to be submitted online. If you do not have access to a personal computer, please use a public library. You will need to have all information compiled.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- A signed W9 will be required for all applications. The IRS has deemed water conservation rebates taxable.

Still in effect

- You must have grass still in place at the time of application.
- Back and private side yards are not eligible.
- Yards with any gates, walls, hedges or fences between the project area and street will not be considered.

Grant applications **must** include:

- DWA account number
- Contact person name
- Property & mailing address(es) for correspondence and rebate check
- Email & phone contact
- Assessor's parcel number(s) (APN)
- Square footage of the conversion area (use square footage worksheet or hire professional; DWA will verify)
- Photo of the front yard from the street
- Street name and closest intersection of areas with turf buy back funding requested
- A bid or cost estimate for the conversion
- Completed W-9 form (this is who rebate check would be cut to)

* NOTE: incomplete applications will be rejected and will lose their spot in the queue.