



CASH FOR GRASS

Solvang Landscape Rebate Program

RESIDENTIAL - COMMERCIAL

Name: _____
(As you would like it to appear on the check; please print clearly.)

Address: _____ Phone # (_____) _____ - _____
(Mailing Address)

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
(Mailing Address)

Water Account Number: _____ Service Address: _____

Solvang's Cash for Grass Landscape Rebate program was enacted to incentivize residents to modify outdoor landscape to use less water and use water more efficiently. Landscape rebate funds are available on a first come, first served basis until funding runs out. Rebates are awarded for 50% of the cost of approved materials up to \$1,500 for single family residential and commercial, and \$3,000 for multifamily and HOA's. No general labor will be rebated

Requirements for the Rebate

- An eligible applicant can receive a rebate for replacing existing lawn with water efficient plants along with: mulch, gravel, or synthetic turf. The maximum amount of the rebate is \$1,500 for single family residential and commercial properties. \$3,000 for multifamily and HOA's. Landscape design costs up to \$300; included in the allowed maximum rebate amount are eligible for a rebate at the rate of 50%.
- Applicants must be current Solvang water customers in good standing for the past 12 months. (Note: applicants who have otherwise been water customers in good standing would not be disqualified for missed or late payments as a result of COVID-19.)
- The existing front yard does not need to have living green lawn however existing low water use landscapes (such as dirt stone or gravel, etc.) are not eligible.
- Applicants must submit a site plan showing proposed changes. A rough sketch hand drawn is acceptable.
- Projects must be approved in advance of landscape changes. The program is not retroactive.
- Landscapes for new home or building construction are not eligible.
- Sales receipts and/or contractor invoices (for material) are required for all rebates.
- No more than 50% of the new landscape may be covered with gravel. At least 50% shall be landscaped with drought tolerant plants.
- Removal and clean-up of existing lawns, plants, weeds and debris must be done in an environmentally friendly manner (i.e. no use of Round-up or other toxic methods).

Project Description

Describe proposed changes to the landscaping (please provide a Site Plan showing proposed changes):

How Do I Participate?

- Step 1:** Make an appointment for a “**Pre-Qualification Inspection**” site visit by calling 805-688-5575. City staff will visit the site and take photos and measurements.
- Step 2:** The purchase and installation of all plants and other materials must take place within **120 days** of the date of the Pre-Qualification Inspection.
- Step 4:** Call for a final “**Post-Installation Inspection**” appointment within **120 days**. **City staff will visit the site and take photos.**
- Step 5:** Submit receipts and/or invoices which are required for all rebates.
- Step 6:** Rebate check will be issued within 30 days of final inspection.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The **Applicant** applying for the rebate(s) **must be a City of Solvang water customer.**
2. The Project Description as detailed on this application is **valid for 120 days** from the **Pre-Qualification Inspection** date.
3. Applicant must provide a legible copy of the valid, dated sales receipts to qualify.
4. Rebates shall be on a one-time basis per address or customer.
5. A **Pre-Qualification** Inspection is required and a **Post-Installation Inspection** of the property is also required to verify installation within 120 days of the date of the Pre-Qualification Inspection. Before and after photos will be taken by City staff.

Note: **Rebate amounts are subject to change without prior notice and based upon availability of funds.**

For more information call (805) 688-5575 or visit www.cityofsolvang.com

By signing below, you indicate that you agree to the “**Terms and Conditions**” of the Solvang Landscape Rebate Program as detailed on this form. All applicable rebates are only valid for a period of 120 days following the date of the **Pre-Qualification Inspection**. It is the **applicant’s responsibility to arrange a Post Installation Inspection** within the 120 day period following the **Pre-Qualification Inspection**. Failure to comply with these terms and conditions are automatic grounds for disqualification from the program. Call (805) 688-5575 to schedule a Post Installation Inspection.

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Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Property Owner: _____

Date: _____ Email: _____

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Date of Pre-Qualification Inspection: _____ Estimated Rebate: Amount \$ _____

POST-INSTALLATION INSPECTION:

Date of Post-inspection: _____

Date of Receipt: _____ Approved By: _____ Total Rebate Amount: \$ _____

Rejected By: _____ Reason: _____