



PURPOSE

The City of Boulder's Turf Replacement Program provides participants with the information, tools and materials needed to incentivize water conservation. Eligible and approved homeowners that remove 200 sq. ft. or more of turfgrass will receive a FREE Water-wise (low-water usage) garden kit. This kit includes: one 200 sq. ft. Garden In A Box and one spray to drip irrigation conversion kit. The goal of this program is to generate long-term water savings.

ATTENTION!

Applications are due by or before Friday, March 23rd, 2018.

Submittal of application does not guarantee approval. In addition, failure to include required information may result in rejection of application. Asterisk (*) denotes required information.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- **Remove 200 sq. ft. or more of *maintained* turfgrass** and replace it with Water-wise (low-water usage) plants.
 - **Maintained Turf IS:** an area that is healthy, green, watered, cared for, and mowed regularly. In general, it is an area that you enjoy and would feel comfortable "showing-off" to your neighbors.
 - **Maintained Turf IS NOT:** an area that is dead and/or dying, brown, neglected, and not watered. It is not an area that you dislike or have given up on.
 - Only **MAINTAINED TURF AREAS** are eligible for this program. No exceptions.
 - The City of Boulder may ***review historical water utility bills*** to verify past water usage at address listed on this form.
- **Irrigation system must be converted to drip irrigation.**
 - For approved Participants: One sprinkler to drip irrigation conversion kit will be provided at no cost.
 - The conversion kit includes a retrofit piece that will easily convert a sprinkler zone to drip. It does NOT include a full drip system.
- **Before, During and After photos required.**
 - **Before photos:** depicting the proposed and *maintained* replacement area (200 sq. ft. or more). ***Due with application by or before 03/23/18.***
 - **During photos:** depicting the replacement area (200 sq. ft. or more) that no longer has grass and is ready to be planted. ***Due by or before 05/07/18.***
 - **After photos:** depicting the completed replacement area (200 sq. ft. or more) with the irrigation conversion kit installed (if applicable) and the Garden In A Box planted and mulched. ***Due by or before 6/25/18.***
 - **All landscape photos:** must be taken in color, must be current, must be time-stamped, and must be taken from the same point of view.

- **Landscape Design required with Intake Form:** sketch your landscape to the best of your abilities and mark the proposed replacement area(s) with the dimensions. Please be as accurate and as clear as possible.
- **Recent copy of your water bill required.**
- **Homeowners' Association (HOA) Residents**
 - All participants that live within an HOA must receive a letter of approval from their HOA and submit it with this application.
- **Garden In A Box** – For approved Participants: one 200 sq. ft. Garden In A Box kit will be provided at no cost.
 - Participants can purchase supplementary Garden In A Box kits to replace turf-removed areas. Visit ResourceCentral.org/gardens to purchase. *Permitting availability.*
 - For participants removing more than 200 sq. ft. of turfgrass and not purchasing additional Garden In A Box kits, please be sure any supplementary plant material is Water-wise.
 - Visit the CSU Extension website for various Water-wise plant, shrub, tree and grass suggestions.
 - ✓ For Water-wise Ornamental Grasses: <http://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/ornamental-grasses-7-232/>
 - ✓ For Water-wise Ground Cover Plants: <http://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/xeriscaping-ground-cover-plants-7-230/>
 - ✓ For Water-wise Trees and Shrubs: <http://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/xeriscaping-trees-and-shrubs-7-229/>
- **Mulch** is required on all exposed soil surfaces.
 - Examples of mulch include: organic material (i.e. cypress mulch, pine & cedar bark) or wood chips.
- **FREE Slow the Flow irrigation consultation required** after submitting “Final” photos.
 - Consultation ONLY required for Participants with in-ground automatic sprinkler systems.
 - Consultation provided to participating residents at no-cost.
 - Participant is responsible for scheduling consultation. Call **303-999-3824** to schedule appointment. Slow the Flow irrigation consultation ***must be scheduled by or before 08/17/18.***
 - Slow the Flow irrigation consultation ***must be completed by or before 09/07/18.***

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Complete and sign **Intake Form**.
- Landscape design** - please sketch your landscape to the best of your abilities and mark the proposed replacement area(s) with the dimensions. Please be as accurate and as clear as possible.
- Current, time-stamped, color** photos of the area(s) where you plan to remove turf. Use time-stamp provided at seminar.
- Recent copy of your **water bill**.

INTAKE FORM SUBMISSION PROCESS

- Email Intake Form, landscape design, “Before” photos and water bill to TurfRemoval@ResourceCentral.org.
- Resource Central will review your application and inform you of your status no later than 04/02/18.
- *Do not begin work on your landscape until you have received approval!*

INTAKE FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Account Holder (Property Owner) First Name *: _____
2. Account Holder (Property Owner) Last Name *: _____
3. Primary Phone Number*: _____
4. Primary Email*: _____
5. How did you hear about the program? _____
6. Mailing Address*: _____
City*: _____ ZIP*: _____
7. Property Address*: *(if different than mailing address)*
 Please check if Property Address is the same as the Mailing Address
Address*: _____
City*: _____ ZIP*: _____
8. Do you live in an HOA?* Yes / No (Circle One)
9. City of Boulder Utility Account Number*: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

1. What is the total area of your property *not including the physical structure of your home*?* _____sq. ft.
2. Property Type*:
 Single Family Home
 Duplex/Triplex/Fourplex
 Townhome
 Mobile Home
3. What is the total area of turf being converted to a Water-wise garden?* _____sq. ft.
4. Location*: *(Please check all that apply)*
 Front Yard
 Back Yard
 Sidewalk Strip or Parkway (a landscaped thoroughfare)
 Other (please describe): _____
5. Is the proposed turf replacement area currently being irrigated and maintained?* Yes / No (circle one)

STOP!

***** IF YOUR TURF IS NOT CURRENTLY BEING IRRIGATED AND MAINTAINED, THEN YOU'RE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TURF REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AT THIS TIME. *****

6. Describe how the turf is currently being irrigated?*
- _____
- _____
7. Type of irrigation system*:
 In-ground automatic sprinkler system
 Manual operation (i.e. hand watering, hose attachment, etc.)
 Other (please describe): _____

8. What type of irrigation controller do you use? *(Please check all that apply)*
- Automatic Controller
 - Smart Controller
 - None
 - Other (please describe): _____

REPLACEMENT OPTIONS

Select desired replacement option(s)*:

1. Please select ONE of the following FREE Water-wise Gardens*:
 - 200 sq. ft. Full Sun Garden
 - 200 sq. ft. Part Shade Garden
2. Do you want the FREE sprinkler to drip irrigation conversion kit?*
 - Yes, I want the free sprinkler to drip irrigation conversion kit.
 - No, I do not want the free sprinkler to drip irrigation conversion kit.
3. Visit www.ResourceCentral.org/gardens to purchase additional Water-wise gardens for your project.
Garden availability is limited!

MOTIVATING FACTORS

1. How likely were you to begin a water-wise landscape transformation without the assistance of this program? (Circle One)
1 = (Very Unlikely) 2 = (Unlikely) 3 = (Neutral) 4 = (Likely) 5 (Very Likely)
2. What motivated you to participate in the Turf Replacement Program?* Please rank the following or write “N/A” if the reason does not apply to you.
 - _____ I wanted to save water on my landscape.
 - _____ I wanted to save money on my water bill.
 - _____ I wanted to increase the value of my home.
 - _____ I wanted to make my landscape more attractive.
 - _____ I wanted the free plant materials.
 - _____ I wanted the free spray-to-drip conversion kit.
 - _____ I wanted educational resources through the seminar and program materials.
 - _____ Other (write in) _____

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Participant must be a City of Boulder Water Utility customer and named on the water account. Account must be in good standing with the City of Boulder Water Utility. “In good-standing” means the owner of the water account is not in arrears at the time of this program.
2. Applications will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and only if all requirements of the program have been met.
3. Replacement area(s) must be covered with existing, live turfgrass being irrigated with potable water at the time the application is approved. Areas irrigated with well water are not eligible. Bare earth areas are not eligible.
4. Work may not be started until Participant is notified of application approval.
5. All Projects are subject to inspection. Participants will forfeit Program materials if they do not provide site access to the inspector in a timely manner, or if the Participant fails to resolve any significant compliance issues noted as a result of the inspection.

6. Participant accepts full and exclusive responsibility for any costs related to the Project, without recourse to City of Boulder or Resource Central. Participant assumes all risk and liability for their Projects.
7. By participating in the Program, Participant waives and releases the City of Boulder and Resource Central from any and all claims and causes of action arising out of the replacement of turf and/or purchase, installation or use of the devices purchased in connection with this Program.
8. The Affidavit of Lawful Presence as set forth in Title 24, Article 76.5 CRS is not required for this program as its purpose is not to provide assistance for personal or family needs i.e. a "public benefit" but to incentivize residents to conserve water.

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the conditions of eligibility for this program as stated in the Intake Form. The free material is conditioned upon my compliance with its terms and with the terms required by the City of Boulder. I understand an inspection may be required to verify proper installation of Water-wise garden. I also understand that by participating in the Program, I waive and release the City of Boulder and Resource Central from any and all claims and causes of action arising out of the replacement of turf and/or purchase, installation or use of the devices purchased in connection with this Program. The City of Boulder and Resource Central are not liable or responsible for any act or omission of any contractor whatsoever. The free material is subject to availability of funds and may be changed or discontinued without notice.

The Organizer may utilize photographs provided by the participant or take photographs or have photographs taken by a designated third party of the landscape project for use in promoting the program, or for use at any time in the future to promote the program.

Please check box, if you do not want photos publicized.

HOMEOWNER MUST PRINT NAME, SIGN AND DATE: I have read and agree to the program guidelines and conditions.

FULL NAME _____
 SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

TENANT MUST PRINT NAME, SIGN, OBTAIN LANDLORD SIGNATURE AND DATE BELOW: I acknowledge that I am the tenant of the address listed on this application; I agree to a visual inspection of the installed Water-wise garden (if necessary); and I have received permission by my landlord to replace turf and install the Water-wise garden. I have read and agree to the program requirements and conditions.

TENANT FULL NAME _____
 SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

LANDLORD (OWNER OF PROPERTY) MUST PRINT NAME, SIGN AND DATE: I have read and agree to the program requirements and conditions and allow my tenant to replace at least 200 sq. ft. of turf with the Water-wise garden at my rental property at address indicated in this application.

LANDLORD FULL NAME _____
 SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Thank you for your interest in water conservation!

Please read this application thoroughly. If you have any questions **after fully reviewing this form**, then call 303-999-3820 x222 or email TurfRemoval@ResourceCentral.org.