

TURF REMOVAL REBATE PROGRAM



GET CASH BACK FOR REMOVING YOUR TURF

California American Water is offering rebates for removal of existing grass and replacement with drought-tolerant landscaping. Customers can receive a cash-back **rebate of over \$1,100** (\$1.50 per square foot up to 750 square feet) for a qualifying landscape conversion. The Turf Removal Program is the perfect way to save money and water while beautifying your landscape.



REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY FOR A REBATE

- The project site must be located within California American Water's San Diego County service district.
- The applicant's water bill must be in good standing.
- The applicant's water bill must have a higher usage in the warm and hot seasons than in the cool season.
- Existing turf must be living; recent browning of the landscape is acceptable. Areas with dirt patches are not eligible.
- A pre-inspection must be performed by a Conservation Specialist before any work has started.
- A post-inspection must be performed by a Conservation Specialist after the renovation is complete.
- A landscape design class is required.
- Lawns removed prior to pre-inspection are not eligible for rebates.
- Project conversion area must be a minimum of 100 sq. ft. and no larger than 750 sq. ft.



REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE A REBATE

- All grass must be removed from the project site.
- No invasive plants may be used.
- At least half of the project site must be covered with drought-tolerant plants (measurement is calculated by totaling the area of the plants at their full maturity).
- A drip or micro-spray irrigation system must be installed, with an emitter at each plant.
- All exposed soil must be covered with creeping plants, gravel, loose flagstone, decomposed granite or a 2" layer of mulch.
- Converted areas must be permeable to air and water.
- The entirety or majority of your renovated landscape cannot be rock beds.
- The project site must be maintained for a minimum of five years, or for the duration of ownership of the property (whichever is shortest).

IMPORTANT NOTE

To qualify for a rebate, before starting your landscape transformation, customers are required to watch a 2-part landscape design class on our YouTube channel [@caamwater](#), or at [californiaamwater.com > Conservation](#) before submitting an application for approval.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For the complete terms and conditions for the Turf Removal Rebate Program, please visit: [californiaamwater.com > Conservation > District Resources > San Diego](#).

For more information about sustainable landscaping best practices as well as other resources, visit: [sustainablelandscapesd.org](#).