

2020 Water Conservation and Reuse Grant Pilot Program



Funding Available for New Water Efficiency Projects

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is offering funding for water efficiency projects through the Water Conservation and Reuse Grant Pilot Program. The Program reimburses water efficiency projects totaling greater than \$50,000 on a single private property that include conventional fixture retrofits and/or innovative water saving technologies, such as on-site water reuse. It is anticipated that up to \$1 million will be available, to be distributed amongst selected applicants that agree to the terms of DEP's Grant Funding Agreement.

Program Eligibility

You may be eligible to participate in the Program if the following criteria are met:

- ✓ You are an institutional, multi-family residential, or commercial customer who receives a water bill directly from DEP for your own water use, and not for resale.
- ✓ Your water and sewer account is in good standing.
- ✓ Your water meter is connected to a functioning Automated Meter Reading (AMR) device.
- ✓ Your water efficiency project will conserve at least one million gallons of water per year, or about 2,740 gallons per day, and costs greater than \$50,000 on individual properties.

Note: Multiple properties with the same property owner may be grouped under a single grant application, so long as each project costs greater than \$50,000 per property.

Reimbursement Eligibility

The following costs are eligible for reimbursement under the Program:

- ✓ Third-party costs for a Facility Water Use Survey
- ✓ Third-party costs for Design Services
- ✓ Equipment costs (includes materials and supplies)

Eligible Costs	Conditions	Reimbursement Amount
Equipment	WaterSense® certified fixture replacements	Fixed maximum unit price; see Grant Guide
	Custom retrofits	\$10 per gallon per day water savings achieved, up to 100% of documented equipment costs
Facility Water Use Survey and Design Services	Third-party costs required in development of the application	Up to 20% of total equipment costs

Labor costs are NOT eligible for reimbursement under the Program.

Application Process and Timeline

Applications can be submitted July 2020 through October 15, 2020. Grant awards are expected to be announced in late 2020. Issued grants are limited to available funding. The grant guide and application are available at nyc.gov/dep/water-conservation-grant.

For More Information

All grant program inquiries can be directed to waterconservation@dep.nyc.gov.

