



# Turf Replacement Rebate Program and Application

Offer available July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019 and subject to fund availability

**City of Modesto water customers may be eligible for a rebate when they replace their grass with any qualifying artificial turf products or drought tolerant landscape products. Funding is limited and applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. The City of Modesto reserves the right to terminate this program at any time and for any reason.**

***Customers who install qualifying products are eligible for a rebate in the amount of \$1.25 per square foot for a maximum of 1,000 square feet. The rebate amount may not exceed \$1,250 per City of Modesto water account.***

Outdoor landscaping is the single largest use of water in a typical California home. In most yards, grass consumes the most water, therefore reducing or eliminating how much grass you have in your landscape can have a significant impact on your water use.

## **How To Apply:**

1. Obtain an application using one of the following methods:
  - a. Telephone: (209) 342-2246
  - b. Web site: <http://www.modestogov.com/922>
  - c. Email: [waterconservation@modestogov.com](mailto:waterconservation@modestogov.com)
2. Send completed application and the original sales receipt to:
  - a. Mail: City of Modesto  
Attention: Water Division - Rebate Program  
PO Box 642 Modesto, CA 95353
  - b. Fax: 209-577-4983
  - c. Email: [waterconservation@modestogov.com](mailto:waterconservation@modestogov.com)
3. A City of Modesto representative will contact you to schedule a brief appointment to verify your existing landscape.

## **Program Guidelines and Participation Section**

### Who Qualifies?

- City of Modesto customers who pay a water utility bill to the City of Modesto
- Customer accounts that are in good standing
- Tenants who provide written approval from the property owner or property manager
- Existing turf areas to be converted must currently be maintained and intact. Turf that is already removed at the time of pre-inspection is not eligible for the rebate.

### Timelines

- Program applies to turf replaced between 7/1/18 thru 6/30/19
- A pre-inspection will be scheduled once the application is approved.
- After approval of pre-inspection, you will have 60 days to complete the conversion of your old landscaping.
- Once completed, contact the City of Modesto to schedule the post-inspection.
- If not approved at post-inspection, you have 30 days to make corrections and to schedule a final inspection.

#### Turf Replacement (qualifying for rebate)

- Turf replacement must be drought tolerant and permeable.
- Customer must provide a sketch of the proposed landscape as well as photos of the existing landscape. Photos must be clear and in color.
- When replacing turf, irrigation system must be converted, capped, or eliminated.
- Turf replacement must be maintained and kept in a healthy condition for a period of 5 years.
- Turf replacement must be installed within the Modesto City service area and at the location on application.
- The customer must provide a list of proposed plants with the application. For an approved list, click here: <http://www.modestogov.com/water/conservation/docs/water-book.pdf>
- Irrigation System - if using for converted area, it must be low volume drip.
- The system must be in good working order, free of leaks and malfunctions.
- If only part of the lawn is converted, the new planting area must be irrigated on a separate valve from the remaining lawn.
- Sprinkler system for the remaining lawn must be modified to avoid spray onto the converted area.

#### Rebates

- Existing artificial turf, turf installation costs, new construction, accessories, labor and taxes do not qualify.
- Rebate checks will be mailed within 8 weeks after completing the rebate process.
- Rebate amount cannot exceed the purchase price of the turf replacement.
- Rebates are limited to 1,000 sq. ft. per utility billing account per fiscal year (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019).

#### Application and Rebate Approval or Denial

- On-site compliance verification is required.
- The original itemized dated sales receipt for the turf replacement is required at final inspection.
- Incomplete, incorrect or unsigned applications cannot be processed. We will contact you with any discrepancies and may require you to submit a new application.
- Customer must fulfill all program guidelines in order to be eligible for rebates.

#### Other Considerations

- The Rebate Program is not responsible for materials lost by mail.
- Submission or possession of a rebate application does not guarantee receiving a rebate.
- Rebates are processed on a first come, first served basis.
- Funding for this rebate program is limited to available resources.
- Rebate amounts are subject to change without notification.
- This program shall at all times be subject to change or termination without prior notice.



Mail to: City of Modesto, Water Division - Rebate Program P.O. Box 642, Modesto, CA 95353 Phone: (209) 342-2246 - Fax: (209) 577-4983 Website: [www.modestogov.com/978/Water-Services](http://www.modestogov.com/978/Water-Services)

**Water Conservation Program**

**\$1.25 sq. ft. Turf Replacement (1,000 sq. ft. max)**

**Account Information**  
**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:**

**Rebate Program**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ City of Modesto Utility Account: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Name \_\_\_\_\_

Account Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential  Commercial

**Note: Tenants: Participation requires written approval from property owner/property manager (attach to application).**

Have you previously applied for this rebate? yes no  
If yes, please indicate the date of the last rebate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Inspection Required**

- When the completed application is approved, an appointment will be scheduled for a brief visual inspection by the City.
- Once the project is complete, please call and notify the City for a final inspection.
- **Do not remove lawn until you receive the Notice to Proceed from the City.**

**Rebate Information**

Where did you learn about the rebate?

- The rebate value cannot exceed the actual cost of the turf replacement
- Application must be approved prior to rebate.
- An original itemized dated sales receipt is required at final inspection.
- Limit \$1,250 per account per utility billing account per fiscal year (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)
- Turf replacement must be completed within 60 days of Notice to Proceed.
- Compliance with attached guideline is required.

## Agreement of Terms and Conditions

The City of Modesto may deny any application that does not meet program requirements. The undersigned expressly agrees that the City may inspect all items submitted for the Turf Replacement Rebate Program. The City does not guarantee the performance of any turf replacement; does not warrant any turf replacement or installation to be free of defects, the quality of the workmanship, or the suitability, of the premises or the turf replacement for installation. The undersigned further agrees to hold harmless the City of Modesto against all loss, damage, expense, and liability resulting from the loss, destruction or damage to property arising out of or in any way connected with the turf replacement. The City reserves the right to alter this program at any time. Funding for this rebate program is limited to available resources. Rebates are processed on a first come, first served basis. For further questions, please call (209) 342-2246.

I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions of this rebate program.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **For Official Use Only:**

Pre-Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Application Approved: \_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_

Reason for Denial: \_\_\_\_\_

Notice to Process issued: \_\_\_\_\_ by: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Application Approved: \_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_

Reason for Denial: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Sq. Ft. Conversion area approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Rebate Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Rebate Check Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ by: \_\_\_\_\_ Voucher No: \_\_\_\_\_

