

**DWA**'S TURF BUY BACK PROGRAM aims to reduce water use by paying customers to convert their water-guzzling grass into beautiful water-wise landscape.

Property owners will receive a **\$2-per-square-foot rebate for each square foot of turf removed** and are required to pay a minimum of 25 percent of the project expenses. The rebate amount is subject to a post-conversion inspection. Keep reading to find out more about how you can get a rebate for planting desertscape.

## FIVE EASY STEPS TO GET

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- 1 Submit an application to DWA.
- 2 DWA will conduct a pre-conversion inspection to ensure the project is eligible and measure the turf area that will be replaced.
- 3 Complete your project.
- 4 DWA will conduct a post-conversion inspection to ensure all program criteria have been met.
- 5 Your rebate will be issued.

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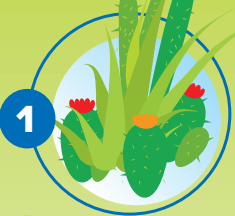


Reduce water use by converting your water-guzzling grass into beautiful water-wise landscape



# DWA'S TURF BUY BACK PROGRAM

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM, YOUR TURF REMOVAL PROJECT WILL HAVE TO MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:



## 1 Landscape Requirements

- ✓ Replace existing water-guzzling grass with **water-wise landscaping**. For examples, see the book *Lush and Efficient*, visit DWA's Operation Center Demonstration Gardens or visit Lowe's garden section.
- ✓ Participants must plant enough desert plants to **cover half of the conversion area** once the plants are full-grown. Each plant will be measured using the estimated square footage the plant will reach at full-maturity.
- ✓ Tamarisk trees are **prohibited** in the conversion area.
- ✓ The landscape area must be covered with **mulch that is permeable to air and water**. Some examples include rock, bark, ungrouted pavers, or synthetic turf. Rebates will not be issued for non-permeable hardscape areas, such as grouted patios.
- ✓ **Permeable weed barriers are required**. Plastic weed barriers are prohibited.



## 2 Irrigation System Requirements

- ✓ A **low-flow irrigation system** must be installed on the conversion area. Drip emitters must not exceed 20 gallons per hour.
- ✓ A **pressure regulator and filter are required** to be installed to prevent damage to the low-flow irrigation system.
- ✓ The new area must be on a **separate irrigation valve** from any existing remaining turf.
- ✓ Customers must install a **Smart Irrigation Controller**, which DWA will provide and install free of charge. To apply for a Smart Irrigation Controller, please visit [www.dwa.org/controller](http://www.dwa.org/controller) or contact DWA's offices.



## 3 Proof-of-Purchase Requirements

- ✓ **Save all of your project receipts** and provide them to the DWA representative conducting your post-conversion inspection.
  - ✓ If you are not present at your post-conversion inspection, you can mail your sales receipts to DWA's offices.
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- 4** If you have questions about our new **Turf Buy Back Program**, please visit our website or contact us at the number below.

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