



Turf Replacement Program

Application TRA-000071

Colorado Eligible Entity

Which of the following Colorado eligible entities are you submitting an application on behalf of?

501(c)(3) Nonprofits

Are you a 501(c)3 entity who works to coordinate water resource conservation or efficiency projects as their primary purpose and who can demonstrate the ability to coordinate turf replacement programs for other eligible entities rather than perform projects for their organization alone (e.g. Resource Central; High Country Conservation, etc.)?

Yes

Verification of Matching Funds & Funding Use

Do you have matching funds described in the Turf Replacement Grant Program Guidelines relevant to your organization's program or project type?

Yes

Can your organization commit to tracking funds, invoicing, and providing reports for work completed (including any estimates of water savings, before and after pictures, and projected and/or actual water savings)?

Yes

Can you ensure requested funds will not be spent to replace turf with artificial turf, impermeable concrete, water features, invasive species, or high-water-use turf varieties?

Yes

Can your organization commit to incorporating any necessary irrigation adjustments or updates to ensure installed vegetation is efficiently irrigated?

Yes

Applicant Information

Organization Name	Resource Central
Organization Mailing Address	6400 Arapahoe Ave, Suite B
Title	Program Director
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Please specify the total dollar (\$) amount your organization is requesting for the current funding cycle?	\$498087.5
Are you a water provider who bills customers for treated water or a water district who supplies raw water?	No

Proposed Focus & Applicant Characteristics

Have you conducted any analysis to know where turf replacement may be most effective?

Yes

Which sector do you intended to focus your funding on?

Multifamily and HOA's; Commercial, Institutional & Industrial; Municipal/Community Spaces

Which of the following best describes the goal of your proposed turf replacement funding?

Develops a new program for one or more organizations or jurisdictions (third party)

Third Party Details

Can you ensure funding would only be provided to eligible entities as defined in HB -22-1151 (Local Governments, Districts, Native American Tribes, Non-profit organizations)?

Yes

Are you seeking funding for a specific defined project? (E.g. replacing turf on medians and right-of-way)

No

Are you planning to administer a broader program with turf replacement support services or will you simply provide pass through dollars?

Yes

What added value does your program offer eligible entities as compared to them directly contracting with the CWCB to fund turf replacement? For example, are you helping to organize projects, remove turf, provide replacement plant material or otherwise give support beyond being a fiscal agent? Please explain.

Resource Central's program maximizes the impact of conservation efforts across Colorado by consolidating funding and resources through a single grant, creating economies of scale that allow us to reach communities statewide. By partnering directly with water providers, we enable them to offer comprehensive water-saving programs that reach more residents and cover a larger area than they could independently. Our model unifies conservation efforts across providers, promoting water-saving practices and fostering a lasting shift toward sustainable landscape management that aligns with Colorado's long-term conservation goals. Our proposed grant addresses a critical need by streamlining turf replacement and irrigation upgrades for non-residential properties, such as HOAs, business parks, and public spaces. These properties often maintain large, high-water-use landscapes primarily for aesthetics, placing a significant demand on local

water supplies. By targeting non-residential sites, we maximize water savings where they're needed most, as these properties typically offer the greatest potential for significant, lasting reductions in water use. Through detailed assessments, landscape conversions, and irrigation improvements, our program empowers property managers and decision-makers to make data-driven changes, advancing statewide conservation efforts and building drought resilience across Colorado.

What percentage of funds do you expect your organization to take for administration of the program (including any staff time, overhead or other administrative costs you would charge)?

10.0%

Program Info

Please briefly describe the program you envision. What work will be completed, who/what would be the target of the work (e.g., residential, commercial, community spaces), are there any partnerships you have developed, and what value are you adding beyond administering funding? Please note that the provided program description does not suffice as an official Scope of Work required for contracting.

Resource Central envisions a pilot program targeting non-residential properties—such as HOAs, business parks, and public spaces—that maintain large, water-intensive landscapes primarily for aesthetics. Through this program, we would offer water use assessments, customized consultations, and demonstration projects to help property managers transition to sustainable, low-water landscapes, aiming for significant water savings, improved drought resilience, and reduced maintenance costs. With over 20 years of experience and partnerships with more than 50 water providers statewide, Resource Central brings the expertise needed for effective irrigation and landscape conversion. Beyond merely administering funding, we would provide tailored solutions, expert guidance, and best-practice demonstrations.

Questions

What questions do you have for CWCB that you'd like answered?
None at this time.