



## LANDSCAPE EQUIPMENT ELECTRIFICATION FUND (LEEF) PROGRAM

---

### APPLICATION

**Contact Information:** [LEEFProgram@sbcapcd.org](mailto:LEEFProgram@sbcapcd.org); (805) 979-8263

The Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (District) is offering vouchers to trade in gasoline or diesel landscape equipment for electric landscape equipment.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

1. Please review the Program Terms on pages 1 and 2.
2. Fill out the information on pages 3 to 5 and sign the Applicant Certifications on page 6.
3. Submit this completed Voucher Application and supporting documents (see next section) to the District by email [LEEFProgram@sbcapcd.org](mailto:LEEFProgram@sbcapcd.org) or mail or drop off in person to:
  - a. Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, ATTN: LEEF Program, 260 N. San Antonio Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93110 OR
  - b. Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, ATTN: LEEF Program, 301 E Cook St., Suite L, Santa Maria, CA 93454

#### **PLEASE INCLUDE**

1. Signed application;
2. Documentation showing models and prices of electric equipment - either initial quote from dealer or online information if ordering online;
3. Business license or contractor license (if landscaping business); and
4. If commercial landscaping businesses or nonprofits are located outside of Santa Barbara County, include proof that service is provided within Santa Barbara County.

#### **PROGRAM TERMS**

1. **Eligible Participants:** The program is available to commercial landscaping businesses, nonprofit organizations, public agencies, public schools/universities, and commercial businesses (non-landscaping). All organizations must use the new electric equipment for a majority of the time (greater than 50%) within Santa Barbara County for a minimum of 36 months. Public agencies, public schools/universities, and commercial businesses (non-landscaping) must be located within Santa Barbara County and provide in-house landscape maintenance for their grounds. Commercial landscaping businesses and non-profits may be located outside of Santa Barbara County but must provide proof of service within the County and must reside within California.
2. **Eligible Equipment:** The participant must currently own and operate gasoline or diesel landscaping equipment and be willing to trade in the equipment for new and cordless electric landscaping equipment. Electric equipment can be purchased from any retailer or manufacturer of electric landscaping equipment, including online retailers and manufacturers.
3. **Disposal of Gasoline/Diesel Equipment:** Within 60 days of voucher issuance, an existing piece of gasoline or diesel-fueled landscaping equipment must be disposed of for each piece of electric landscaping equipment purchased through the program. Each piece of disposed equipment and new equipment must be in the same funding category as shown in the table on the next page. For example, a chainsaw can be replaced with a trimmer since they are in the same funding category, but a leaf blower can only be replaced with a leaf blower or leaf vacuum. The gas or diesel equipment to be scrapped must be in operable condition. The District will provide a list of local participating dismantlers that will accept the



existing equipment for disposal. The participant must submit a Certificate of Destruction and a receipt from the dismantler showing proof of disposal with their reimbursement request to the District. The Certificate of Destruction and other close out documentation will be provided when the voucher is issued.

4. Vouchers:

a. Maximum eligible funding amounts by each type of electric equipment is found below:

Maximum Eligible Funding Amount per Piece of Equipment (and any associated batteries and chargers)	
Equipment Type	Amount
Chainsaws Trimmers, Edgers, Brushcutters	\$700
Leaf blowers, Leaf vacuums	\$1,400
Walk-Behind Lawn Mowers	\$1,500
Ride-on or Stand/Sit Mowers	\$15,000

b. Batteries and chargers purchased for each piece of equipment count toward the maximum voucher amounts listed in the table above.

c. The voucher does not cover additional costs such as taxes, fees, accessories, and delivery charges.

d. There is no maximum amount of equipment that can be applied for. The applicant can apply for any amount of new equipment as long as they have the existing equipment for trade-in.

e. The participant is responsible for paying at least 15% of the cost of eligible equipment. Public organizations and small businesses are waived from this cost share requirement.

5. Pre-purchase Restriction: The applicant may not purchase the new electric equipment until they have received the District-issued voucher. Equipment that has been purchased prior to voucher issuance is not eligible for reimbursement.

6. Voucher Redemption:

a. The voucher must be submitted for payment within 60 days from the date of issuance. The participant must submit the following documentation before payment will be disbursed including:

- i. Signed voucher;
- ii. Receipts of purchased equipment;
- iii. Certificate of Destruction from participating dismantler;
- iv. Receipt from participating dismantler;
- v. Forms to be provided by the APCD to set up direct deposit for payout if applicable (Substitute W-9 Form and California Form 590)



**A. Applicant Information**

1. Company/Organization Name:		
2. Organization Type:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial landscaping business <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial business (non-landscaping) with in-house landscape maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Public agency with in-house landscape maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Public School/School District/University with in-house landscape maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit organization. Please provide Employment Identification Number (EIN): _____		
3. Contact Name and Title:		
4. Street Address:		
5. City:	6. State:	7. Zip Code:
8. Primary Contact Number:	9. Email:	
10. (Non-landscaping businesses only) Please describe the landscaping operations that the equipment will support at your business's grounds:		
<hr/> <hr/>		
11. Will the equipment be funded with any other grant programs or receive any other discounts? If yes, please specify other funding sources and include documentation showing funding or discount amounts.		
<hr/> <hr/>		
12. Why are you applying? (Please check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental concerns <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term cost savings <input type="checkbox"/> Health & safety concerns <input type="checkbox"/> Customer preference <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations of gas equipment <input type="checkbox"/> To try out electric equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		
13. (Businesses Only) How many employees does your business have?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 100 employees <input type="checkbox"/> More than 100 employees		
14. (Businesses Only) What is your businesses average annual gross receipts?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$10 million <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$10 million		







**D. Applicant Certifications**

Please initial each line and sign at the bottom agreeing to the following certifications:

Certifications	Initial:
1. I agree to comply with the Program Terms.	
2. I certify that I own and operate the existing gasoline/diesel landscaping equipment at least 50% of the time within Santa Barbara County. The existing gasoline/diesel equipment is in operable condition and owned by my organization.	
3. I will own and operate the new electric landscaping equipment within Santa Barbara County a majority of the time (greater than 50%) for a minimum of 36 months from the purchase date. My organization resides in California.	
4. Within 60 days of receiving my voucher I will dispose of my existing gasoline/diesel equipment with a participating dismantler and obtain a receipt and signed Certificate of Destruction.	
5. I have disclosed all additional co-funding sources and discounts that will be applied to my purchase.	
6. I have not purchased replacement landscaping equipment that I am seeking funding for prior to applying to this program.	
7. The information provided in the application is true and correct and meets the minimum requirements of the LEEF Program.	
8. I understand that an incomplete or illegible application may be immediately rejected, and I will be notified.	
9. I understand as an applicant that incentive programs have limited funds and shall terminate upon depletion of program funding.	
<b>Name of Organization Representative:</b>	
<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>