Awards for the Pilot Cycle of the Reuse Grant Program (Fiscal Year 2019-20)

CalRecycle Public Meeting
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Awards for the Pilot Cycle of the Reuse Grant Program

- $2 million allocated from Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund using FY 2019-20 funds
- Scoring Criteria approved April 7, 2020
- Notice of Funding Available posted August 4, 2020
- 38 applications received
- $16,915,265 requested
Eligible Project Types

- **Refillables**: Replacement of single use containers with refillables (9 applications)

- **Food Service Ware**: Replacement of single-use food service ware with durable alternatives that can be reused (16 applications)

- **Transport Packaging**: Replacement of single-use packaging with reusable packaging used to transport or distribute goods (6 applications)

- **Wood**: Recovery of lumber, wood flooring, or wood furniture from landfills or through deconstruction projects for reuse (7 applications)
Awards

- Recommended 4 Awards totaling $1,983,435
- There were no awards in the project type Transport Packaging, as there were no applications that received a passing score
- The remaining allocation of $16,565 will be applied to another Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Program.
Project Summaries for Recommended Awards (1 of 4)

Sudbusters, Inc.

Project Type: Food Service Ware

County: Contra Costa

Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: $494,800

- Delivers reusable bins with food service ware for event and venues, and collects used service ware for washing and reuse.

- Grant funds would be used to:
  - Expand on existing activities
  - Develop turn key program that provides an alternative to disposable food service ware used across many waste-generating events.
American Refuse Inc.

- Project Type: Food Service Ware
- Counties: Kern, Kings, Tulare
- Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: $500,000
  - Create recycling and sustainability programs throughout its operating area in the region.
  - Grant funds would be used to provide reusable cafeteria supplies for schools, health organizations, churches, and youth centers.
Habitat for Humanity East Bay/Silicon Valley, Inc.

Project Type: Wood

Counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara

Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: $488,635

- Non-profit donation-based collection and resale operation with three sites in Bay Area.

- Grant funds would be used to increase diversion of wood products from landfills to the stores for reuse by the community.
Conscious Container

Project Type: Refillables
County: Sonoma
Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: $500,000

- Develop and deliver a new reusable/refillable glass bottle infrastructure including collection, washing, and resale of glass beverage containers in Northern California.

- The grant will fund the third phase of their Reuse Glass Bottle Program, a Pilot Reuse Wine Bottle Program in Napa and Sonoma Counties.
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For more information, please refer to:

- **Reuse Grant Webpage**
  https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/grants/slo/ans/reuse

- **Program Email**
  GHGReductions@calrecycle.ca.gov

- **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Programs Listserv**
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