

# **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.

# Project Summaries for Recommended Awards (2 of 4)

## 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

# Project Summaries for Recommended Awards (3 of 4)

## 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.

# Project Summaries for Recommended Awards (4 of 4)

## 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.



# Program Timeline

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Program Event</u>
March 2021	Grant Awards
April/May 2021	Grant Agreement distributed and executed
April 3, 2023	Grant Term ends

# CalRecycle Reuse Grant Webpage

**For more information, please refer to:**

➤ Reuse Grant Webpage

<https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/grants/loans/reuse>

➤ Program Email

[GHGReductions@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:GHGReductions@calrecycle.ca.gov)

➤ Greenhouse Gas Reduction Programs Listserv

<https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs/Subscribe/135>