



Green Project Incentives

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Project Type	Rain Barrel Installation/Subsidy
Program Name	RiverSmart Homes
Program Details	RiverSmart Homes reduces the amount of stormwater runoff carrying pollutants from entering the District's rivers and streams. District homeowners are eligible to receive a free professional stormwater retention and treatment audit of their property, and up to \$1,200 toward installation of stormwater measures, such as tree planting, rain barrels, pervious pavers, rain gardens, or BayScaping. Rain Barrel Copayment: \$30.00. There is a 2 rain barrel maximum per property.
Eligibility Requirements	All District homeowners with yards are eligible (excluding commercial owners of large complexes). Renters must obtain landlord's consent to participate in the program.
Application Process	Fill out an online application at the website www.doe.dc.gov . Click on "Water in the District" then "incentives" under The Watershed Protection Division. Or contact Jenny Guillaume at jennifer.guillaume@dc.gov or 202-535-2252. There is approximately a 4 month waiting list to receive the Stormwater Site Audit, which is required for the participation in RiverSmart Homes and the subsidy.
Contact	Jenny Guillaume at jennifer.guillaume@dc.gov or 202-535-2252
Vendor Certification Requirement	DC Greenworks installs all the rain barrels for the RiverSmart Homes program

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Project Type	Shade Tree Installation/Subsidy
Program Name	RiverSmart Homes
Program Details	RiverSmart Homes reduces the amount of stormwater runoff carrying pollutants from entering the District's rivers and streams. District homeowners are eligible to receive a free professional stormwater retention and treatment audit of their property, and up to \$1,200 toward installation of stormwater measures, such as tree planting, rain barrels, pervious pavers, rain gardens, or BayScaping. Shade Tree Copayment: \$50.00. There is no limit to the number of shade tree subsidies per property.
Eligibility Requirements	All District homeowners with yards are eligible (excluding commercial owners of large complexes). Renters must obtain landlord's consent to participate in the program.
Application Process	Fill out an online application at the website www.doe.dc.gov . Click on "Water in the District" then "incentives" under The Watershed Protection Division. Or contact Jenny Guillaume at jennifer.guillaume@dc.gov or 202-535-2252. There is approximately a 4 month waiting list to receive the Stormwater Site Audit, which is required for the participation in RiverSmart Homes and the subsidy.
Contact	Jenny Guillaume at jennifer.guillaume@dc.gov or 202-535-2252
Vendor Certification Requirement	Casey Trees installs all the shade trees for the RiverSmart Homes program

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Project Type	Pervious pavers, rain garden, or BayScaping Installation/Subsidy
Program Name	RiverSmart Homes
Program Details	RiverSmart Homes reduces the amount of stormwater runoff carrying pollutants from entering the District's rivers and streams. District homeowners are eligible to receive a free professional stormwater retention and treatment audit of their property, and up to \$1,200 toward installation of stormwater measures, such as tree planting, rain barrels, pervious pavers, rain gardens, or BayScaping. Copayment for BayScaping: \$100; Copayment for Rain Garden: \$75.00; the homeowner is responsible for paying the amount over \$1,200 for the pervious paver installation. Homeowners must choose either BayScaping, rain garden, or pervious pavers.
Eligibility Requirements	All District homeowners with yards are eligible (excluding commercial owners of large complexes). Renters must obtain landlord's consent to participate in the program.
Application Process	Fill out an online application at the website www.ddoe.dc.gov . Click on "Water in the District" then "incentives" under The Watershed Protection Division. Or contact Jenny Guillaume at jennifer.guillaume@dc.gov or 202-535-2252. There is approximately a 4 month waiting list to receive the Stormwater Site Audit, which is required for the participation in RiverSmart Homes and the subsidy.
Contact	Jenny Guillaume at jennifer.guillaume@dc.gov or 202-535-2252
Vendor Certification Requirement	The Alliance for Chesapeake Bay manages the contractors. Contractors must complete the RiverSmart Homes Contractor Training for the BayScaping and Rain Garden installations. This day long training is hands on and held twice a year. For more information on the training please contact Leah Lemoine at leah.lemoine@dc.gov . In addition to the training, contractors must sign a partnership agreement with the Alliance for Chesapeake Bay. For the pervious paver installations, contractors must be ICPI certified and sign a partnership agreement with ACB.

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Project Type	Rain Barrel Rebate
Program Name	Rain Barrel Rebate
Program Details	Rain barrels capture and store rainwater from rooftops, which can then be used to water landscaped areas or other purposes. In addition to the RiverSmart Homes program, rebates of up to \$100 for the purchase of a rain barrel (\$50 for 50-74 gallon capacity and \$100 for 75 gallons or more capacity) are available through DC Greenworks. Limit of two rain barrel rebates per property.
Eligibility Requirements	District homeowners planning to purchase and install an approved rain barrel over 50 gallons in size. For specifics on rain barrel requirements, see DC Greenworks website www.dcgreenworks.org . Click "Rain Barrel Rebate Program!" on right side.
Application Process	Download an application (we will provide PDF). Assess your site to determine location, volume, and type of barrel using the form. Then purchase and install the appropriate barrel and submit the rebate application.
Contact	Cody Schank at cody@dcgreenworks.org or 202-518-6195
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	Shade Tree Rebate
Program Name	Shade Tree Rebate
Program Details	Shade trees improve the health of local streams and waterways by reducing stormwater runoff and erosion. In addition to the RiverSmart Homes program, rebates of up to \$50 for the purchase of a shade tree are available through Casey Trees.
Eligibility Requirements	District homeowners planning to purchase and plant a non-invasive tree on residential property. For specifics on tree requirements, see Casey Trees website www.caseytrees.org/planting/tree-help/rebate/index.php
Application Process	Purchase and plant the appropriate tree and submit the rebate application.
Contact	Sara Turner at sturner@caseytrees.org or 202-349-1890
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	Rain Garden and Installation of Pervious Paver Rebate
Program Name	n/a
Program Details	Rain Gardens manage stormwater on-site by intercepting and filtering pollutants such as fertilizers and pesticides, and other pollutants washing off of impervious surfaces. Rain Gardens also increase the amount of water filtering into the ground and helps protect communities from flooding and drainage problems.
Eligibility Requirements	District homeowners planning to install either a rain garden or pervious pavers on residential property.
Application Process	coming soon!
Contact	coming soon!
Vendor Certification Requirement	Any contractor who has completed the RiverSmart Homes training is eligible to install rain gardens. Pervious paver contractors must be ICPI certified.

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Project Type	Green Roof Rebate
Program Name	RiverSmart Rooftops
Program Details	The Green Roof Rebate Program is a green roof installation incentive program designed to reduce stormwater runoff in the District. Base funding of \$5 per square foot of green roof is available; additional funding may be available for features that advance environmental goals.
Eligibility Requirements	Must be a District property owner. New construction projects of up to 5,000 square feet are eligible to receive funding; retrofit projects of any size. Please note the program will continue to draw on the existing queue so apply early.
Application Process	Visit www.anacostiaaws.org/programs/stewardship/green-roofs to begin the application process. Applicants must submit structural analysis from registered engineer, green roof plans, installation schedule, and a two year maintenance plan.
Contact	Anacostia Watershed Society at greenroofs@anacostia.org or 301-699-6204
Vendor Certification Requirement	AWS has a list of vendors.

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Project Type	Energy audits of single-family homes and townhomes
Program Name	Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Audit
Program Details	DDOE offers professional energy audits of single-family homes and townhomes, valued between \$300 and \$500 per audit, at no cost to District residents. The type of energy audit is a HERS audit, which measures a home's energy efficiency, and because HERS is a nationally-adopted standard, it allows a standardized comparison of energy costs across homes—an important consideration in determining home value. Auditors come into the home, evaluate it, and suggest specific cost-effective, energy efficient improvements to reduce costs and improve comfort. The HERS rating, particularly if accompanied by suggested improvements, may also help homeowners qualify for lower rate mortgages and improve the home's marketability.
Eligibility Requirements	Must be the owner of a single-family house or townhome (no condos or co-ops) of 4,000 square feet or less.
Application Process	Fill out an online application at green.dc.gov . You will receive an email within one month confirming you are on the waiting list and an expected wait time.
Contact	LaKeisha Smith (lakeisha.smith@dc.gov or 202-673-6733)
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	ENERGY STAR Appliance Rebate
Program Name	ENERGY STAR Appliance Rebate Program
Program Details	District residents are eligible to apply for a rebate of between \$50 and \$300 for replacing an existing appliance with a new ENERGY STAR® appliance (e.g. furnaces, water heaters, boilers, refrigerators, clothes washers, dishwashers) purchased on or after October 25, 2010. ENERGY STAR® appliances have higher energy and water efficiency than standard appliances, which can reduce a household’s monthly utility costs. Rebates for 50% of home weatherization costs (e.g. door and window replacement, insulation, weather-stripping, programmable thermostats) are also available. Detailed appliance information is available at the website.
Eligibility Requirements	Purchaser must live in the District (including renters) and households are limited to one rebate per category (e.g. furnaces, water heaters, refrigerators, dishwashers). Purchase must be made during the rebate offer period on or after October 25, 2010, and must be postmarked within 30 days of purchase. More details on program eligibility requirements can be found at the web site.
Application Process	Residents may apply for rebates either online or by calling the rebate hotline at 877-489-6629. Proof of purchase and proper recycling of old appliance is required. Rebate status can be tracked online at the website.
Contact	Rebate Hotline (877-489-6629) or LaKeisha Smith (lakeisha.smith@dc.gov or 202-673-6733)
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	Energy efficient home improvements
Program Name	Weatherization Assistance Program
Program Details	Weatherizing one’s home can save significant amounts of money by reducing heating and cooling costs. Low-income District residents may be eligible for between \$3,500 and \$6,500 in energy efficient home improvements, such as heating and cooling systems repair, weather stripping, insulation, and the installation and repair of windows and doors.
Eligibility Requirements	Residents must meet Federal Income Guidelines (approximately \$41,000 for a four person household). Check website below for specific income limits. Renters may participate, but must have permission of homeowner. In order to measure program effectiveness, participants must agree to provide energy bills for 24 months before and after appliance replacement.
Application Process	Consult Federal Income Guidelines at the website eligibility. If eligible, apply online or make an appointment with DDOE staff by calling 311 and asking for “Energy Assistance - Weatherization.” You will be contacted to schedule an energy audit of your home, after which a contractor will be hired to install some of the recommended measures.
Contact	All initial public calls should be directed to the weatherization hotline (202-673-6700). Other questions may be directed to Ismenda Richardson (ismenda.richardson@dc.gov or 202-673-6738).
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	Small Business Energy Efficiency
Program Name	Small Business Energy Efficiency Program
Program Details	This program provides technical and financial assistance to help small businesses identify and install energy efficient measurements into their facilities to reduce energy consumption and operating costs. Up to \$7,000 is available for improvements such as air sealing, insulation, heating and cooling system repair or replacement, hot water tank repair or replacement, and high efficiency lighting (no roof repairs, or lead, moisture, asbestos or mold remediation work permitted).
Eligibility Requirements	Residents must own a certified small business in the District (for-profit corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal business entity) with no more than 15 full-time equivalent employees and less than one million dollars in annual revenue.
Application Process	Contact Ismenda Richardson (ismenda.richardson@dc.gov or 202- 673-6738) to initiate the application process
Contact	Ismenda Richardson (ismenda.richardson@dc.gov or 202- 673-6738)
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	Non-profit Energy Efficiency Program
Program Name	Non-profit Energy Efficiency Program
Program Details	Qualifying non-profit organizations are eligible to receive a free energy audit, and up to \$30,000 in matching funds for installing energy efficient measures. Organizations will receive a dollar-for-dollar match up to \$30,000 for improvements such as air sealing, insulation, heating and cooling system repair or replacement, hot water tank repair or replacement, and high efficiency lighting (no roof repairs, or lead, moisture, asbestos or mold remediation work permitted).
Eligibility Requirements	501(c) 3 non-profit organizations that provide shelter for homeless persons, residential treatment centers, certain faith-based institutions, and other organizations that serve limited income persons at risk of homelessness, victims of domestic violence, and mentally ill persons. Organizations must own their building (long term leases will be considered on case-by-case basis) and be directly responsible for paying utility bills (and have access to at least previous two years of utility bills). Organization must be willing to develop an energy education and conservation plan that will identify and implement new behaviors and policies regarding energy consumption. Organizations must, at minimum, match the District's funds to pay for the energy improvements.
Application Process	Contact Autumn Bailey (autumn.bailey@dc.gov or 202- 671-3314) to initiate application process.
Contact	Autumn Bailey (autumn.bailey@dc.gov or 202- 671-3314)
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Project Type	Condominium and Cooperative Energy Efficiency Improvements
Program Name	Condominium and Cooperative Energy Efficiency Program
Program Details	Resident-owners and associations of condominium and cooperative buildings are eligible to participate in this program that helps identify and install energy efficient improvements in their buildings. The program provides a comprehensive retro-commissioning study (RCx), financial analyses to help correct deficiencies, and follow-up performance tracking. Participating associations will receive a dollar-for-dollar match for up to \$30,000 for improvements such as air sealing, insulation, heating and cooling system repair or replacement, hot water tank repair or replacement, and high efficiency lighting (no roof repairs, or lead, moisture, asbestos or mold remediation work permitted).
Eligibility Requirements	Condominium and co-op buildings built before 1978 or those currently being rehabilitated are targets for program. Building owners must, at minimum, match the District's funds to pay for the energy improvements.
Application Process	Contact Ismenda Richardson (ismenda.richardson@dc.gov or 202- 673-6738) to initiate the application process
Contact	Ismenda Richardson (ismenda.richardson@dc.gov or 202- 673-6738)
Vendor Certification Requirement	n/a

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Program Name	Renewable Energy Incentive Program (REIP)
Program Details	The REIP program provides up to \$33,000 per site to eligible applicants, for the installation of a solar photovoltaic or wind turbine systems. Additional technology rebates, including solar thermal water and space heating, geothermal HVAC, and biomass may soon be available.
Eligibility Requirements	Eligible projects include, but are not limited to single- and multi-family dwellings, as well as commercial and institutional buildings. Federal and District government are not eligible.
Application Process	Contact a local vendor to assess your site and system needs, and complete a prequalification application using information from the assessment. Once prequalified, you will be issued a reservation number. If funds are available, a licensed installer can assist in submitting the full program application, which is required to receive a rebate.
Contact	Olayinka Kolawole (202-671-4096 or olayinka.kolawole@dc.gov) or Daniel White (202-299-2163 or daniel.white2@dc.gov)
Vendor Certification Requirement	All systems supported through the REIP must be installed by an appropriately licensed contractor in accordance with all rules and regulations required under District of Columbia law. Installers must submit a Contractor Participation Application, along with liability insurance policy information. The contractor is also requested to provide, the DC Contractors License # (issued by DCRA) and references along with other standard information. Although not required, installation contractors are encouraged to become certified by the North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP) www.nabcep.org .

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