

CalRecycle Fact Sheet

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Overview: The Beverage Container Recycling Grant Program by CalRecycle aims to achieve an 80% recycling rate for California Refund Value (CRV) beverage containers. It supports projects that facilitate convenient recycling and litter abatement. Eligible applicants include California local governments, public schools, non-profits, and tribal entities. Grants range from \$75,000 to \$275,000 per project, funding infrastructure, equipment, and educational activities related to beverage container recycling.

How much Money gets Awarded?

- **Total:** \$1.5 million is available for each grant cycle.
- **Per Grant:** \$75,000 is the minimum available for individual grant awards, \$275,000 is the maximum available for individual grant awards, For Regional/Cooperative applications: \$275,000 is the maximum available for the joint grant award, subject to funding availability.

Contact Information:

- **Phone:** 916-322-4027
- **Email:** bevcontainergrants@calrecycle.ca.gov

Application Process:

- **Is my school eligible for this grant?**
 - California cities, counties, state agencies, and other local government entities, Special districts (e.g., recreational park districts), Public colleges and universities and public K-12 school districts, Non-profit organizations (except private K-12 schools) registered with the federal government under 501(c)3, (c)6, or (c)10 of the Internal Revenue Code, Qualifying Tribal Entities, Joint Powers Authorities
- **How can I apply?**
 - Watch for the Notice of Funds Available (NOFA) on either of these two web pages: [CalRecycle Funding page](#), [California Grants Portal](#)
 - Online applications: CalRecycle grant applications are submitted online through the [CalRecycle Grants Management System \(GMS\)](#)
- **When can I apply?**
 - Application materials for FY 2024-25 and 2025-26 will tentatively be available summer 2024.

Office of Public School Construction

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Overview: The Access and Modernization Funding for Schools grant by the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) provides financial support to California public schools for facility improvements. This program aims to modernize school infrastructure, ensuring safe and accessible environments for students. The funding covers a variety of projects, including upgrades to building systems, structural enhancements, and accessibility improvements. Eligible applicants include K-12 public schools within the state.

Contact Information:

- **Phone:** 916-376-1771
- **Email:** opsccommunications@dgs.ca.gov

Application Process:

- **Is my school eligible for this grant?**
 - School districts can apply for this service when improvements are needed that educationally enhance existing school facilities. Projects eligible for this service include modifications such as air conditioning, plumbing, lighting, and electrical systems.
- **How can I apply?**
 - Applications are submitted to the Office of Public School Construction in two stages: an application for eligibility and an application for funding. Once a school district project has been approved with a State Apportionment, submit the following form to request the release of funds: Form SAB 50-05, Fund Release Authorization, (Rev. 06/17)
- **Where can I apply?**
 - Contact OPSC to find out who your project manager is for the county in which the school district is located. While working with your OPSC project manager, submit the following forms:
 - Form SAB 50-03, Eligibility Determination, (Rev. 12/10)
 - Form SAB 50-04, Application For Funding, (Rev. 01/18)
 - Once a school district project has been approved with a State Apportionment, submit the following form to request the release of funds:
 - Form SAB 50-05, Fund Release Authorization, (Rev. 06/17)
 - Once a school district has received the funds, it must report expenditures on an annual basis (using the following form) and report substantial progress:
 - Form SAB 50-06, Expenditure Report, (Rev. 12/10)

Valley Water Refill Station Grant Program Fact Sheet

Valley Water Refill Station Grant Program

Overview: The Valley Water Refill Station Grant Program offers funding for the installation of water bottle refill stations in Santa Clara County, particularly in economically disadvantaged communities or places serving school-age children. The program provides grants of up to \$5,000 per station, with a total of \$100,000 available annually. Eligible applicants include public agencies, schools, non-profit organizations, and private entities. The goal is to increase access to clean drinking water and reduce plastic waste from single-use bottles.

How much Money gets Awarded?

- **Total:** \$100,000
- **Per Grant:** \$5,000

Application Process:

- **Is my school eligible for this grant?**
 - All applicants, except public entities and non-profit organizations, must demonstrate that the refill station will be installed in an area with public access.
 - Public Agencies, such as special districts, cities, towns, and county agencies
 - Schools, community colleges or universities (public or nonprofit)
 - 501©3 nonprofit organizations
 - Nonprofits without 501©3 exempt status but can demonstrate they are an affiliate of a nonprofit organization with 501©3 tax exempt status that acts as a fiscal sponsor.
 - Organized community group with an established structure that can identify an individual response for signing the agreement and meeting insurance requirements.
 - Private entity, such as a
 - Private water district/agency; school, community college or university (private); of for-profit company
- **How can I apply?**
 - Head on over to [Fluxx](#) to complete your registration and start your application today!
- **When can I apply?**
 - Applications are accepted on a rolling basis or until all available funds are disbursed during the fiscal year. Priority is given to project sites that serve economically disadvantaged communities and locations that serve school-age children and students in Santa Clara County.
- **Where can I apply?**
 - https://valleywater.fluxx.io/user_sessions/new
- **Are there application deadlines?**
 - The window is open until all available funds are disbursed during the fiscal year
- **What information do I need to include in my application?**
 - https://s3.us-west-1.amazonaws.com/valleywater.org.us-west-1/s3fs-public/2022-09-29_Process%20and%20Timeline%20Infographic.pdf

Water Basin Municipal District

Grant Program Fact Sheet

Office of Public School Construction

Overview: The West Basin Municipal Water District offers grants up to \$2,000 for the installation of water bottle filling stations at public facilities within its service area. Eligible locations include high-traffic areas and recreational sites. The grant covers the cost of the station, but applicants are responsible for installation and maintenance costs and must complete the installation within 60 days of approval.

How much Money gets Awarded?

- **Total:** \$4000 (A maximum of two grant awards can be made to each entity per fiscal year)
- **Per Grant:** \$2000 maximum

Contact Information:

- **Phone:** 310-660-6274
- **Email:** TammyH@westbasin.org

Application Process:

- **Is my school eligible for this grant?**
 - Located within West Basin's service area, Public facilities (city facilities, schools, community centers, LA County areas, etc.). The proposed location of the station must be in an area that receives high pedestrian traffic or provides recreational activity; The applicant understands that West Basin is not responsible for any costs associated with installation or station maintenance; and agreement to share the total project cost; The applicant agrees with West Basin's specifications for appropriate signage and to coordinate a promotional opportunity post-installation (i.e. photo opportunity); The applicant agrees to complete the installation of the station within 60 days from the application approval date
- **How can I apply?**
 - <https://www.westbasin.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/FY22-23-WB-Filling-Station-Funding-Application.pdf>
 - Applications shall be submitted to the following:
 - Tammy Hierlihy, Program Manager
 - Re: Water Bottle Filling Station Program Application
 - TammyH@westbasin.org
 - Phone: (310) 660-6274
- **When can I apply?**
 - Applications will be continuously accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Annual funding is limited and is allocated equally among each of the five West Basin divisions. Applications will continue to be processed and projects will be selected until all the funding for this fiscal year has been exhausted.
- **Where can I apply?**
 - <https://www.westbasin.org/conservation/conservation-programs/water-bottle-filling-station-grant/>
- **Are there application deadlines?**
 - Once all available funds are disbursed through the fiscal year.
- **What information do I need to include in my application?**
 - Application Form

- Signed Federal W-9 Tax Form
- Liability Waiver Agreement
- Documentation for the selected unit (include photo and the unit make and model)
- Copies of any permits required (city, county, state, or federal)
- Application Deadline-Applications will be continuously accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Annual funding is limited and is allocate equally among each of the five West Basin Divisions. Applications will continue to be processed and projects will be selected until all the funding for this fiscal year has been exhausted.