

## Approved Spending Categories for Recycling Dividends Program and Regional Small Scale Initiatives Funds

<b>Beyond the Bin</b>	Transportation and/or processing costs for hard to recycle materials including items listed in CHARM, plus carpet, mattresses and Styrofoam.
<b>Closing The Loop</b>	<p>Post-consumer Recycled Content Products from state <a href="#">contracts</a>. Grantee must confirm recycled content.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAC104 Landscaping, Green Roof Products, Playground Equipment, Site Amenities, Recycle content planters</li> <li>• FAC88 Lawns &amp; Grounds, Equipment, Parts and Services</li> <li>• FAC100 Building Maintenance, Repair &amp; Operations, Supplies and Tools</li> <li>• OFF45 Art and Instructional School Supplies</li> <li>• OFF47 Office Supplies, Recycled Paper and Envelopes</li> <li>• OFF38 Office, School and Library Furniture</li> <li>• OFF44 Print, Copy &amp; Mail Services, and Printed Promotional Products</li> <li>• VEH96 OEM &amp; NON-OEM Motorized Vehicle Parts, Refined Motor Oil, Lubricants</li> </ul>
<b>Equipment</b>	<p>Recycling carts and bins, organics carts, etc. (see <a href="#">FAC113</a>)  35-gal or smaller carts may be purchased for trash provided all overflow trash has a per unit associated cost  Roll-off containers, compactors, balers for recycling (refurbished equipment acceptable; solid waste use not allowed)  Equipment for collection/storage/recycling of hard to recycle materials  Rain barrels  Glass crushing equipment  Repairs of used and existing recycling and composting equipment  Slabs and other infrastructure for recycling equipment</p>
<b>Model Programming</b>	<p>Dedicated Enforcement Coordinator (up to 5 years); new Recycling Coordinator position or Zero Waste Coordinator (up to 2 years).  Project-based temporary staffing  Consultants for local or regional recycling and solid waste projects such as recycling/solid waste processing bid development, Pay-As-You-Throw analysis, recycling composition and contamination audits, waste audits, waste characterization studies, etc. See State Contracts <a href="#">PRF61 and PRF77</a>  PAYT program costs including bags, education materials, recycling stickers and additional staff</p>
<b>Organics Diversion</b>	<p>Compost bins and kitchen scrap buckets  Commercial composting equipment including screener, windrow turner for use at municipal site  Organics carts for curbside collection and/or drop-off programs  Certified compostable bags for collection of organics in municipally sponsored programs  Organics collection and processing - up to 5 years  Organics program development costs for a new diversion program</p>
<b>Other</b>	<p>Other expenses as approved in writing by MassDEP in advance of the expense (one request per year will be considered)  Recycling processing costs over \$50 per ton  Mattress recycling costs (transportation &amp; processing) for <a href="#">FAC90</a> vendors or alternate approved vendors  Shredding services for confidential paper  Pre-approved site improvements to recycling drop-off locations including security camera, upgrade to attendant shed, fencing, license plate scanner.</p>

**Outreach & Education**

Waste reduction and/or outreach and education materials, signs, billboards, mailings (and applicable postage costs)  
Recycling webpage design and maintenance (external contractor)  
Translation services for recycling education materials in multiple languages  
Conferences, subscriptions, and memberships (up to \$750 per year)  
Training and professional development for recycling staff  
Recycling market index publications and trade journals  
Educational speaker fees (solid waste and recycling topics)  
Educational entertainment promoting recycling  
Waste and recycling collection mobile applications and fees  
Newspaper ads, PSAs.

**Public Spaces**

Public space/outdoor event recycling and composting containers and signage  
Water filling stations  
Transportation and processing of recyclables and organics collected at public spaces and/or events

**Reuse**

Establishing and/or maintaining a municipally operated swap-shop, including staffing  
\$5,000 annually on municipally owned Things/Tool Libraries  
\$1,000 annually for third-party owned Things/Tool Libraries  
\$4,000 annually for municipally located Repair Events (excluding food/refreshments)  
Zero Waste Days/Reuse Rodeos/Donation Events  
Developing/distributing a comprehensive Reuse Guide

**Schools**

Stipend for personnel coordinating school-wide or district-wide recycling/composting program  
Recycling bins, wheeled carts, compost bins, signage and related equipment  
Dishwashers for public school cafeterias  
Reusable trays and silverware for public school cafeterias  
Collection and processing costs for recyclables and organics  
School gardens and other “green team” initiatives  
School furniture reuse and recycling – Find info and resources [here](#)

**Source Reduction**

Reusable shopping bags and/or reusable water bottles when purchased for a municipally sponsored distribution program that has been approved by MassDEP  
Installation of water filling stations in public buildings and schools  
Deconstruction of municipally owned buildings (consultants, specialized contractors)

**Toxics Reduction**

HHW collection event costs, drop-off, or mobile pickup events, ([FAC110](#) is available as a resource)  
Mercury spill kits  
School chemical cleanouts  
Environmentally Preferred Products [FAC85](#), Categories 1-7

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***Municipalities are allowed one additional request outside this approved spending sheet per calendar year.***