



TELLURIDE GREEN GRANTS *funded by the Town of Telluride, administered by EcoAction Partners*

Timeline for 2019:

- March 15: Grant applications available on the Town of Telluride and EcoAction Partners websites; application process open.
- May 17: Applications due.
- June 14: Telluride Grant Committee funding determinations are announced.
- December 31: Telluride 2019 Green Grants Update/Report
- June 15, 2020: Projects completed (unless an extension has been previously approved).

Program goal:

To reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency, renewable energy, and other innovative means.

Eligibility:

The Town of Telluride invites applications for the Telluride 2019 Green Grant Program. Green Grants are possible through the Telluride Energy Mitigation Program (TEMP), which is part of the Town of Telluride's Green Building Codes. Total funding available for 2019 Green Grants is \$50,000.

Green Grants support capital projects that deliver measurable greenhouse gas reduction for the Town of Telluride. Examples of projects may include energy efficiency upgrades, renewable energy installations, and more. All projects must be tangible, provide measureable greenhouse gas reduction through decreased electrical and fossil fuel use, and have a lifespan of no less than 5 years. Eligible recipients are for-profit and non-profit organizations, government entities, and individuals.

Objectives:

Telluride Green Grants support projects that meet the following objectives for the Town of Telluride:

- Measurably reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with the Town of Telluride
- Decrease energy consumption within or associated with the Town of Telluride
- Promote waste reduction, energy efficiency and renewable energy systems
- Leverage rebates and other funding sources
- Promote environmental and economic sustainability
- Increase public awareness on the benefits of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and GHG reduction

Funding available:

Telluride Green Grants for 2019 can range from \$500 to \$40,000.

Electronic submittal of grants is mandatory. Hard copies are not accepted. Information and questions should be directed to: Heather Knox with EcoAction Partners. Please set up a time to go over your proposal and any Green Grant questions with Heather or EcoAction Partners staff. You may reach Heather at 970-729-3362 or heather@ecoactionpartners.org Kim Wheels can assist with energy/GHG calculations. She can be reached by email at: kim@ecoactionpartners.org

Contingencies:

These Proposed Terms and Conditions are for discussion purposed only, and not an offer or commitment on behalf of the Town of Telluride, EcoAction Partners, or any of its affiliates, to enter into any transaction. Both the prices and terms stated within each application are subject to change upon further review by Telluride's Green Grant Review Committee, and/or EcoAction Partners', at our sole discretion, until execution of a definitive agreement containing all appropriate provisions. Neither party is obligated to enter into a transition nor definitive agreement with the other party; each party may cease discussions for any reason at any time. Counterparty shall not disclose the provisions of this document with any third party. Telluride's Green Grant Review Committee retains the right to determine the final details within each application and negotiate the final terms and conditions with each submittal.

Confidentiality:

Telluride's Green Grant Review Committee and EcoAction Partner may share information contained in submitted grants with Telluride staff, and may also share the information with their designated representatives. Bidders wishing to have part or the entire grant project information not made available to the public should indicate so by marking "Confidential" on the application. Once awarded, all grants will be made public.

Evaluation Team:

The Town of Telluride reserves the right to compile a Grant Evaluation Team based on its own discretionary needs.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

1. **Recipients:** Eligible applicants are private businesses, non-profit organizations, government entities, and individuals residing or working within the Town of Telluride.
2. **Project Types:** Projects must be of local or regional significance and fulfill the specified objectives.
3. **Criteria:** All proposals will be judged according to the following criteria:
(Applicants, please note that projects do not need to meet ALL criteria. However, we strongly encourage you to be mindful of these requirements when developing your project.)
 - Environmental benefit — All projects must provide measureable greenhouse gas emission reductions (using standard EPA protocols) and have low to negligible impact on surrounding natural resources.
 - Cost effectiveness — Projects should be financially sustainable. (Projects with matching funds and/or private investment are highly encouraged.)
 - Public Visibility and Education — Projects that increase public awareness and understanding of greenhouse gases and energy related issues are encouraged. Public projects must be willing to visibly promote the Telluride Green Grants Program through posting information, Telluride logo, certificate, etc.
 - Market influence and Leverage — Projects should help influence the market share of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies.
 - Community assistance — Projects that benefit those who are least able to afford high energy costs (seniors, low income) are encouraged.

- Innovation and/or Unique Opportunity — Projects should attempt to use the most innovative designs available. Projects should also take advantage of local resources and circumstantial opportunities as available.
 - Technology — Projects can support proven technologies and designs or new technology that is suitable for our region.
4. **Grant Utilization:** Funds may only be used to cover costs associated with the proposed project. General administration costs are not eligible for a grant award unless the review committee deems such funding necessary to complete the project. Ideally, projects and follow up reports will be completed by **June 1, 2020**. Alternate completion schedules are allowed with pre-approval.
 5. **Grant Dispersal:** All awarded applicants must complete the follow-up report and submit to EcoAction Partners highlighting verified energy and carbon savings of the project immediately after its completion (within 4 weeks). Please see the Follow up Report for more information. Awarded grants will be dispersed upon verified completion of the project.