



TELLURIDE GREEN GRANTS INFORMATION

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

Timeline for 2024 Green Grants Cycle:

- June 30, 2023: Grant "Intent to Apply" pre-applications are available. Links to the application portal can be found on the Town of Telluride and EcoAction Partners websites. Prospective applicants are required to complete the "Intent to Apply", and receive approval, prior to being granted access to the official application.
- September 13, 2023: Official grant applications are available, to those who have completed an "Intent to Apply" and received approval.
- November 10, 2023: Last day to submit "Intent to Apply" pre-applications.
- November 17, 2023: Official applications due.
- December 8, 2023: Telluride Grant Committee funding determination completed.
- December 22, 2023: Telluride 2024 Green Grants Agreements in place.
- December 31, 2024: Projects completed.

Program goal:

To help meet the goals of the Town of [Telluride's Climate Action Plan](#) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 70% by 2030 and 94% by 2040, using 2010 as a baseline, through energy efficiency, renewable energy, water use efficiency, and other innovative means.

Eligibility:

The Town of Telluride invites applications for the Telluride 2024 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.

Green Grants support discrete projects that deliver measurable greenhouse gas reduction for the Telluride community. Examples of projects may include energy and water efficiency upgrades, renewable energy installations, and more. All projects must be tangible, provide measurable 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 community.
- Decrease energy and/or water consumption within or associated with the Town of Telluride.
- Promote waste reduction, energy efficiency, water 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, water use efficiency, renewable energy, and GHG reduction.

**Funding:**

Telluride Green Grants for 2024 can range from \$500 to \$40,000.

Electronic submittal of grants is mandatory. Hard copies are not accepted. Please complete the "Intent to Apply" pre-application and you will be contacted to discuss your proposal.

Contingencies:

These Proposed Terms and Conditions are for discussion purposes 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 Partners may share information contained in submitted grants with Telluride staff and the Telluride Ecology Commission. Bidders wishing to have part or the entire grant project information not made available to the public during the grant process should indicate so by marking "Confidential" on the application. Once awarded, all grants will be made public.

Green Grant Review Committee:

The Town of Telluride reserves the right to compile the Green Grant Review Committee based on its own discretionary needs. The current committee is made up of Telluride's Energy Action Coordinator, a representative from the Ecology Commission, and a representative from the Telluride community with experience in sustainability and greenhouse gas emissions mitigation.

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 — Projects must provide measureable greenhouse gas emission reductions (using standard EPA protocols) and have low negative 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.
 - Community Benefit — Projects with benefits that accrue to a larger portion of the Telluride community and not just the grantee.
 - 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.
 - Readiness — Projects that have approvals and can be completed within 12 months.
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. Projects and follow up reports will be completed as specified in the Grant Contract.
5. **Grant Dispersal:** All awarded applicants must complete a follow-up report and thank you letter to the local newspaper and submit the report to EcoAction Partners. Please see the Follow up Report for more information. Awarded grants will be dispersed upon verified completion of the project, receipt of the project report, and publishing of the thank you letter in a local newspaper.