Water Efficiency Grant Program



Growth, development, and climate variability are

challenging the ability for some communities

meet water supply demand now and in the future.



PROGRAM

The Council collaborates with local units of government, state agencies, businesses and others to support more efficient use of water through:



Municipal, commercial and residential water use audits



Installation of more efficient indoor water fixtures such as toilets, washing machines, and faucets



More efficient outdoor water use through improved irrigation practices and technology

The water demand reduction program leverages State and local funding to expand the impact of water efficiency efforts across the Metro Area

Biennial Appropriation FY 2020-2021

\$750,000

Clean Water Fund Expenditures



\$375,000/yr for FYs 2020 & 2021



0 FTEs

Metropolitan Council supports local work to ensure a sustainable water supply now and in the future.



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VALUE TO STAKEHOLDERS

The anticipated water use reduction because of the program assists the City of Woodbury in meeting our long-term water supply goal of striving towards flat, total water use by the year 2030.

Jim WestermanWater Utilities Supervisor,
City of Woodbury, MN

The Program is valuable for several reasons beyond the obvious water conservation benefits. The public awareness the program creates is important ... As more residents become aware of the Program we believe it will be important to continue it into the future.

Mark Burch Former Director o

Former Director of Public Works, White Bear Lake, MN

In 2015, \$500,000 of Clean Water Fund leveraged an additional \$116,376 in Metropolitan Council and Municipal support.



Improve resiliency of water suppliers

Reduce impacts on aquifers, groundwater quality and surface water features

A total of 19 communities participated in the 2015-2017 Water Efficiency Grant Program. Here are the results:

Washing Machines Replaced



Toilets Replaced



Irrigation Controllers
Replaced



Annual
Gallons Saved



Total Rebates (incl. muni \$)



TOTAL 940 2,380 1,190 52,078,934 \$616,376

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