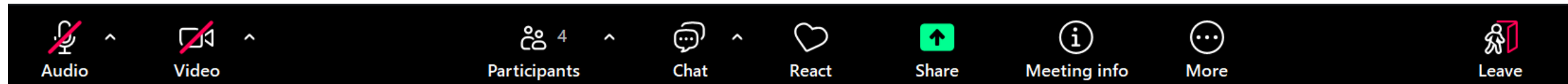




Commercial Electric Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Pilot Program Update

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About the Bay Area Air District

Protecting Air Quality Since 1955

The Bay Area Air District serves **9 counties** and **7 million people** across the Bay Area.

Our Mission

The Air District improves air quality to protect public health, reduce historical and current environmental inequities, and mitigate climate change and its impacts.

Offers grants and incentives to:

- Replace older vehicles, buses, off-road equipment, gas- powered lawn and garden equipment, and wood-burning fireplaces and stoves
- Install electric vehicle charging stations
- Support innovative climate technologies



Why This Program Matters

The Problem

Small off-road engines (SOREs) emit relatively high levels of air pollutants and are historically unregulated. By 2031, these emissions are projected to be nearly twice those from passenger cars.

Community-Driven

Communities asked for solutions. This program reduces air pollution from Lawn and Garden Equipment in AB 617 communities and surrounding areas of Bayview Hunters Point/ Southeast San Francisco, East Oakland, West Oakland, and Richmond-San Pablo.

Better Technology

While the Air District has implemented limited lawn and garden equipment replacement programs since the early 2000's, early electric equipment was costly and less effective for commercial use.

Commercial Electric Lawn & Garden (eL&G) Pilot Program

This pilot program provides vouchers to help commercial landscapers scrap and replace old gasoline- or diesel-powered lawn and garden equipment with zero-emission electric equipment.



Vouchers Up to \$15,000

Voucher Amounts Range from \$700 to \$15,000 based on the equipment type



Simple Voucher Process

Approved applicants turn in old equipment for a point-of-sale discount from authorized vendors



AB 617 Communities

Pilot available to commercial operators serving Bayview Hunters Point, East Oakland, West Oakland, Richmond-San Pablo, and surrounding communities.

What's New in this Program

- Additional zip codes near AB 617 communities are now included
- Simpler operating requirements
- Government agencies and public schools can apply even if they don't have a business license
- More flexibility with business documents and contractor license requirements
- No cost-share required for government agencies and public schools
- More costs are now covered, including sales tax, freight, and warranties

Who Can Participate?

Commercial operators of lawn and garden equipment, including:



Governmental agencies



Commercial landscaping businesses



Public schools and educational districts

*Private Schools & Religious Institutions funding eligibility is limited and may require approval from the California Air Resources Board.



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Location Requirements

Applicants' primary administrative office or headquarters must be based within the Air District's jurisdiction and must operate periodically in at least one of the eligible areas listed in this table

County	Community	Eligible Zip Codes
San Francisco & San Mateo	Bayview Hunters Point/ Southeast San Francisco & Surrounding Communities	94107, 94110, 94124, 94134, 94158, 94103, 94114, 94131, 94112, 94005, 94014
Alameda	East Oakland & Surrounding Communities	94601, 94603, 94605, 94621, 94501, 94606, 94602, 94619, 94577, 94546, 94502
Alameda	West Oakland & Surrounding Communities	94607, 94608, 94609, 94612, 94710, 94702, 94703, 94618, 94611, 94705, 94610
Contra Costa	Richmond-San Pablo & Surrounding Communities	94801, 94803, 94804, 94805, 94806, 94850, 94706, 94530, 94564, 94708

Eligible Equipment Types & Maximum Funding Amounts

Commercial Grade Equipment	Max Voucher
Chainsaws / Trimmers / Edgers / Brush cutters	\$700
Leaf blowers / Vacuums	\$1,400
Walk-Behind Lawn Mowers	\$1,500
Ride-on or Sit / Stand Mowers	\$15,000

Eligible Equipment

Old equipment must be :

- Commercial grade combustion-powered (gas or diesel)
- Fully operational with all parts intact
- Owned and operated by you for at least 2 years
- Within an eligible equipment category

New equipment must be:

- New, cordless, and electric
- Serve the same function or fall within the same category as the equipment being replaced
- One-for-one replacement within the same equipment category

Program Process Overview



Eligible Costs

Participants are required to contribute a minimum cost-share of 15% after all applicable discounts have been applied. Voucher amounts are limited to the maximum allowable for each category with a maximum combined award of up to \$200,000.

✓ Eligible Costs:

- Equipment listed in Eligible Equipment Table
- Compatible batteries, chargers, charging cables, adaptors, and other portable charging equipment
- Sales tax, freight, and warranty costs are now eligible

✗ Ineligible Costs:

- Facility upgrades or permanent installation (e.g., hardwired Level 1, 2, or DC fast chargers)

*Costs for portable chargers and batteries must be covered within the voucher limits or paid out of pocket. No extra funding is available.

How the Funding Works: Examples



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Example 1: Voucher Cap Applied

You purchase one leaf blower, two batteries, and one charging cable for a total of \$1,700.
In this example the voucher will be capped at \$1,400 for leaf blowers.

You pay: \$300 out of pocket.

Voucher Amount: \$1,400

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Example 2: Cost-Share Requirement Applied

You purchase one leaf blower, two batteries, and one charging cable for a total of \$1,000.
In this example the voucher will be capped at \$850 to account for the 15% cost-share requirement.

You pay: \$150 out of pocket (15% cost-share).

Voucher Amount: \$850

Program Participation Requirements

- Participants must have owned and operated the baseline equipment within the Air District's jurisdiction and have periodically operated the equipment in at least one of the eligible communities for at least the last two years
- Participants must agree to own and operate the new electric equipment for at least 36 months within an eligible community
- Applications must be submitted and purchases made through the same Air District-approved vendor
- Baseline equipment must be turned in at the time of sale to be scrapped
- Participants must contribute a minimum 15% cost-share toward eligible equipment (government agencies and public schools are exempt)
- Provide required documentation when request by Air District, including:
 - Valid California photo ID
 - California Business license or C-27 contractor license
 - IRS W-9 form

Application Process

1. Review program requirements
2. Select equipment and submit your application
3. Receive application submission confirmation
4. Receive Conditional Approval
5. Upload documents
6. Receive a Notice to Proceed
7. Visit your authorized dealer
8. Redeem your Voucher
9. Surrender your old equipment and purchase your new equipment

*The entire application process can take up to 120 days from when a complete application has been submitted.

Application Overview

Application Submission

- All applications must be submitted through an Air District-approved equipment vendor
- Applications are available at each vendor location and online at www.baaqmd.gov/lawngarden
- Applicants may be placed on a waitlist until more funds are available if the vendor has reached its maximum funding limit.

Application Review

- Once an application has been submitted and reviewed by the Air District, the applicant will receive a Conditional Approval email with a secure Docusign link for the applicant to provide the required supporting documents:
 1. A California-issued photo driver's license or identification card of the owner or responsible party who submitted the application
 2. Copies of a valid California business or C-27 contractor license for at least two consecutive years prior to the application date showing an address located within the Air District's jurisdiction
 3. A completed IRS W-9 form
- Applications missing required documents must be corrected within 10 days or the application may be canceled

Approval Notification

- Upon approval, participants and vendors will receive Notice to Proceed email from the Air District with the Voucher included

How to Apply

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA
94105 415-749-4994
Email: lawnandgarden@baaqmd.gov
www.baaqmd.gov/lawnandgarden



Commercial Electric Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Application

Section 1: Vendor Information

For vendor use only. This section will be completed by the vendor.

APPLICATION PROJECT NUMBER:
AUTHORIZED RETAIL VENDOR (ORGANIZATION/COMPANY NAME): <i>Must match the legal name listed on the Vendor contract</i>
ADDRESS:
PHONE:
Authorized Retail Vendor Representative Filling Out This Form (First/Last Name):

1. Visit the Lawn and Garden [Webpage](#).
2. Review the [Program Requirements, Guidelines, and Terms and Conditions](#) to see if you qualify.
3. Visit an [Air District-approved Vendor](#) to select your new equipment and submit an [application](#).

Helpful Notes:

- You may download and pre-fill the application PDF from our webpage before visiting an approved vendor.
- Vendors will review your application within 5 business days.

Application Timeline

- Application review process may take up to 30 days
- Program Participants must submit their documents **within 10 days** of receiving a Conditional Approval email.
- The Air District will notify applicants of its final determination **within 30 days** of receiving the documents and send a Notice to Proceed.
- Once approved, the **Voucher must be redeemed within 60 days.**

Application Resources

Please refer to our [application guide](#) for detailed, step-by-step instructions on completing the application process.



Commercial Electric Lawn and Garden
Equipment Exchange Program (eL&G Program)

ONLINE APPLICATION USER GUIDE

Lawn and Garden applications must be submitted in-person through an approved Vendor.

This document provides a step-by-step guide through the application process.

Please review the [Program Requirements](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQ) documents on the [Commercial Electric Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Replacement Program](#) webpage for a program overview, eligibility criteria, and required information needed to be submitted with your application.

Step 1: Review Program Requirements

Visit the Lawn and Garden [Webpage](#).

Review the [Program Requirements, Guidelines, and Terms and Conditions](#) to see if you qualify.

Lawn and Garden Terms and Condition Document



Bay Area Air District

Commercial Electric Lawn and Garden Equipment
Exchange Program (eL&G Program)

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, GUIDELINES, AND
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Next Steps

Program Expansion

The Air District will evaluate opportunities for expansion through the Bay Area later this year.

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- Visit the Carl Moyer Program [web page](#) to learn more about our program.
- Sign up for program updates to receive news on Lawn and Garden Equipment.

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Contact Information

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Grants Phone line: 415-749-4494

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