## **Cathedral City WaterSmart Landscapes Grant**



**Program** was created to educate, encourage and assist residents of Cathedral City with the conversion of their current lush (green) landscaping to a more drought tolerant landscaping, ultimately utilizing water more efficiently and reducing the amount of water run-off in our city. The program helps property owners convert water-thirsty grass to xeriscape, a lush yet water-efficient landscape in the front yards of residential properties. Qualifying projects should include the following:

- Removal of grass located in the front yard and replacement with drought tolerant landscaping.
- Removal or relocation of sprinkler system so that it only services turf and drought tolerant planting and does not spill over onto sidewalks or streets.

Residents that qualify will receive dollar for dollar match up to a <u>maximum of \$500</u> per property. In order to receive reimbursement, you will be required to obtain final approval of the work from the Environmental Conservation Manager and submit receipts. Grants will be awarded to qualified residents on a first come first served basis.

If you are still interested in participating in the grant program, please e-mail dpressgrove@cathedralcity.gov or call 760.770.0369 and provide the following information:

First & Last Name
Property Address

Mailing Address (if different from property address)
Phone Number

Once the information above is received, a *grant application* will be mailed to you.

Please complete the application and mail *application* back to the City with a picture of your front lawn as it is today – no matter what condition the lawn is in.

Once your application is approved, a *grant agreement* packet will be mailed to you. The grant agreement packet includes information and forms that you will need to submit once the project has been completed.

In order to receive the full \$500, you must submit \$1,000 worth of receipts. If the project cost exceeds \$1,000, there is no need to submit copies of every receipt. Receipts totaling \$1,000 is all you need to submit. If the renovation project costs less than \$1,000, you will receive a reimbursement amount of 50% of the total cost (example - a project costing \$800 would receive \$400 in grant funds).

A reimbursement check will be processed within two to three weeks from final submittal of all paperwork.

Thank you

