ECOROOF
Incentive Application

The city offers incentives to property owners and developers to increase the number of ecoroofs in Portland. The Ecoroof Program will fund up to $5 per square foot of an ecoroof project.

The city defines ecoroofs as extensive, living, breathing, vegetated roof systems that are sustainable alternatives to conventional roofing. Their thin, lightweight soils and drought tolerant plants require minimal irrigation and maintenance. Ecoroofs improve watershed health and air quality, and are part of a growing worldwide movement to develop sustainably.

Environmental Benefits	• Reduce stormwater runoff • Increase habitat for insects and birds • Filter pollutants • Reduce the urban heat island effect • Improve air quality • Save energy • Buffer noise
Economic Benefits	• May be eligible for sewer rate discount • Can lower heating and cooling costs • Doubles the life of the roof
Social Benefits	• Create green space • Provide educational opportunities • Connect the community with the natural environment
Incentive Requirements	• The project is in the Portland city limits • The project manages stormwater • Construction starts within two years of the incentive approval • The project is feasible and buildable • The project fits the city's definition of an extensive ecoroof • Project cannot be complete prior to the application deadline
Evaluation Criteria	• Cost of ecoroof • Size of ecoroof • Ratio of ecoroof area to total roof area • Visibility • Completeness and accuracy of application • Innovation • Diversity NOTE: The ecoroof incentive cannot be used for roof gardens, often referred to as intensive green roofs. If you are not sure if your project is an ecoroof or roof garden, contact Alice Coker at alice.coker@portlandoregon.gov or 503-823-7914. Projects smaller than 120 square feet are no longer eligible for the incentive.

Submitting

Please fill out all information below:
You can also submit your application electronically at portlandonline.com/ecoroofincentive.

Approved projects will require the property owner to sign a legal agreement with the City of Portland.

Return your completed application to:

Attn: Alice Coker
Ecoroof Incentive, Bureau of Environmental Services
1120 SW 5th Avenue, Room 1000
Portland, OR 97204

or email to: Alice.Coker@portlandoregon.gov

Completed applications are accepted at any time.
Applications are reviewed and applicants are notified within 30 days.

Contact Information

Applicant Name (first and last) _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Building Owner Name (first and last) _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Ecoroof Property Address: If the property does not have an address, please provide the legal description of the property.

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Project Information

Cost of ecoroof: Please include the estimated cost of your ecoroof. Include only the costs associated with the ecoroof (green) portions of the project. If your project involves a greater scope than the ecoroof, ***please do not include the cost estimate for the entire project.***

Total Cost of Ecoroof $ _____ (ecoroof ONLY)

Ecoroof size: Provide the ecoroof area in square feet, excluding peripheral space such as gravel, pavers, etc. Does your project include both extensive and intensive portions? If so, please separate the extensive portions from the intensive portions below. Extensive ecoroofs have thinner soils and require little irrigation and maintenance.

Extensive Ecoroof Area (sf): _____
Intensive Ecoroof Area (sf): _____
Total Roof Area (sf): _____

Intensive green roofs have a thick growth medium and can support a wide variety of plant species including trees and large shrubs. As the name implies, an intensive green roof requires significant structural support and intensive maintenance. Intensive green roofs are also known as roof gardens. Extensive green roofs have a thinner and lightweight growing medium that supports a simpler palette of plant materials. Extensive green roofs are also known as ecoroofs, which is the preferred term in Portland.

Type of Property:

☐ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Multifamily ☐ Other _____

Project is: ☐ Renovation ☐ New Construction Year the building was built: _____

Roof Slope: ☐ <= 2% ☐ 2% - 4% ☐ 5% - 15% ☐ >15% ☐ Multiple Roofs

Project Schedule:

Installation Date _____

Project Complete Date _____

Diversity

The Bureau of Environmental Services is committed to supporting diversity within the City of Portland. The Ecoroof Program added the following diversity criteria to the Ecoroof Incentive to promote diversity in ecoroof projects. Projects that apply one or more of the following criteria will score higher during the evaluation process.

Diversity/Equity Criteria

- Certified minority-owned and/or women-owned businesses participate in the design or construction of the ecoroof
- The design or construction of the ecoroof includes diverse employment, job training, education opportunities, or partnerships with pre-apprenticeship programs such as Oregon Tradeswomen, Portland Youth Builders, and Constructing Hope
- The ecoroof project is on a building that provides housing for communities of color, disabled, seniors, economically disadvantaged, or environmentally disadvantaged or houses organizations that serve these communities

Please describe how your project meets the diversity criteria:

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Project Description

Which sentence best describes your ecoroof? (check one)

☐ Anyone will be able to see my ecoroof from the street.

☐ My ecoroof is visible from my house, backyard or adjacent buildings.

☐ My ecoroof is only visible to the birds.

Project Description

Please briefly describe your ecoroof:

- Does your ecoroof have innovative features? Will your project use something new or different that promotes progress in the ecoroof industry?
- Do your project's ecoroof components include innovative technologies such as solar, reused or recycled materials, ultra-light-weight soil media, etc.?
- Does your project include any innovative aspects such as public involvement, community education, new habitat features, or innovative purchasing strategies, etc.?

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Supporting Information

Supporting documents: Please provide the following information, if available.
Applications with complete supporting documents will receive priority in the review process.

- Planting plan
- Waterproofing and drainage material
- Soil specifications
- Irrigation plan
- Proof of building's structural capacity
- For existing buildings, provide a photograph of your roof
- Cross section showing ecoroof layers

Required: Provide a simple site plan sketch showing the location of your ecoroof

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