



# Landscape Rebate Program

October 1<sup>st</sup> - June 15<sup>th</sup>

Drop by Drop  
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Pflugerville  
*Green by Nature*



**Purpose:**

The City of Pflugerville feels a responsibility to actively promote easy, efficient, economic and environmentally sound water use and conservation. To that end, the Drop by Drop Landscape Rebate Program has been developed. Participation will help reduce future demand on the water utility and create beautiful, low maintenance landscapes.

**Benefits:**

- Reduce turf and maintenance time in your yard.
- Reduce the need for costly fertilizers and pesticides which pollute water resources.
- Attract hummingbirds, butterflies, and other wildlife to your yard.

**Qualifications:**

- The Drop by Drop Landscape Rebate Program is open to customers of the City of Pflugerville water utility.
- Applicants must not have participated in the Drop by Drop program within the current Drop by Drop season.
- Only plants listed in the Drop by Drop application or approved by Drop by Drop staff will qualify for rebate.
- Only plants purchased after the submittal of Drop by Drop Application and that are listed in the Application are eligible to be submitted for a rebate.
- Plants must be planted on the property of the applicant.
- Plants located in the public street right-of-way are not eligible for a rebate.

**Rebate:**

The rebate will be in the form of a check with a **minimum of \$50** and a **maximum of \$500**. In order to participate in the Drop by Drop rebate program, you must purchase the appropriate amount of plants in order to meet the \$50 minimum rebate. Sales tax is not eligible as part of your rebate. Rebates will be issued as described below:

Size	Type	%	Max Rebate (\$)	Average Price (\$)
1 gal.	Plant	50	5	7
3 gal.	Plant	50	10	17-20
5 gal.	Plant	50	15	25
5 gal.	Tree	50	15	35
10 gal.	Plant	50	50	80+
10 gal.	Tree	50	50	80+
20 gal.	Tree	50	75	250

Mulch, to be used for the landscape areas proposed for this project only, is eligible to receive a 50% rebate with a maximum of \$50

Turf is eligible to receive a 50% rebate with a maximum of \$300 (only turf listed in the approved plant list is eligible for rebate)

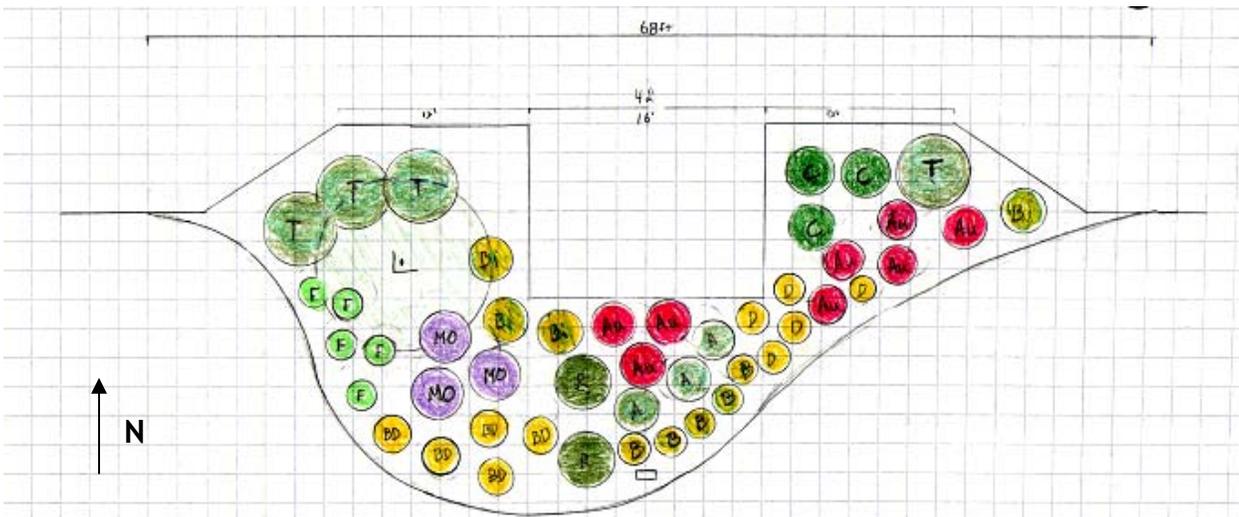
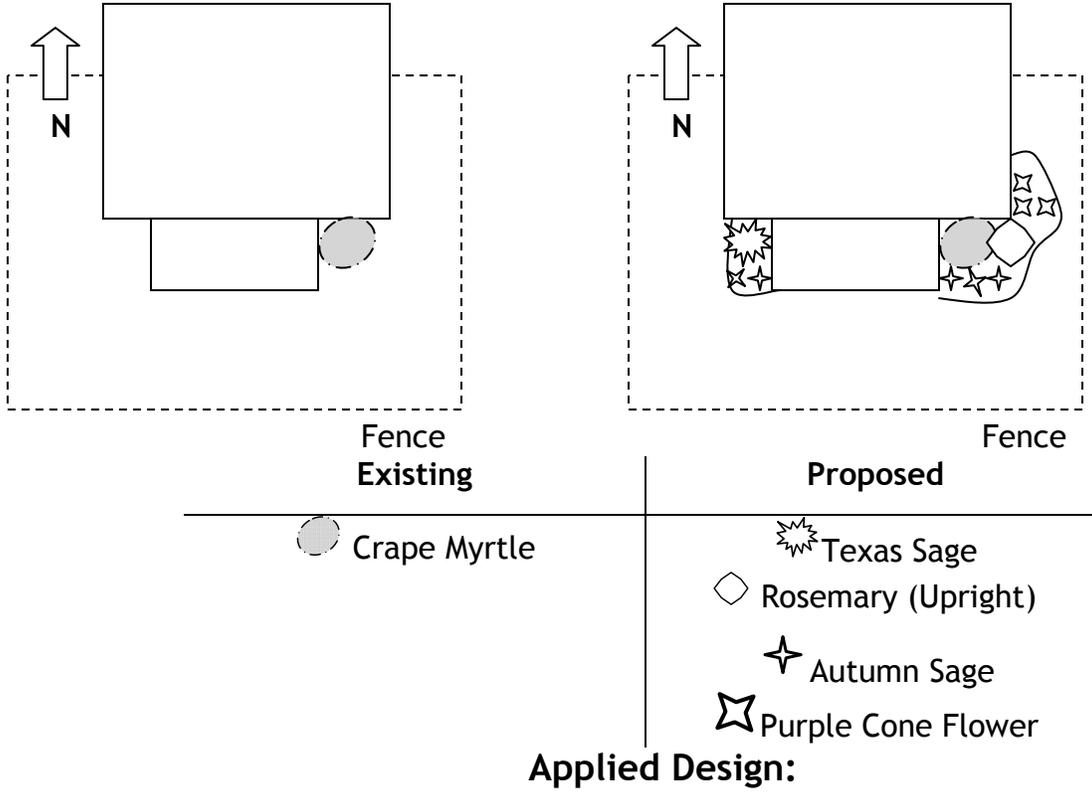
## Follow these steps to complete a Drop by Drop garden:

1. Check Qualifications on previous page to make sure you are eligible
2. A complete Drop by Drop submittal including:
  - Application (make a copy for your records)
  - 2-4 photographs of the existing yard
  - A site plan of the existing and proposed yard (hand drawing, professional drawing, or computer drawing) which includes the following information:
    - The location of the house and any other buildings
    - The location of driveways, walkways, and fences
    - The location of installed irrigation system components if applicable
    - A scale and north arrow
    - For the current yard, all plants must be labeled as existing or to be removed
    - For proposed yard, each plant must be labeled with the following information:
      - Plant species (name of plant)
      - Indication of proposed or existing
      - Size of each plant (proposed plants only)

*Only plants shown on the site plan submitted with the first application are eligible for the rebate.*
3. First site visit by Drop by Drop staff.
4. Receive installation approval.
5. Install garden following these guidelines:
  - Once you have received approval from the Drop by Drop staff, you may purchase the plants and begin installation. Approval of an application does not guarantee a rebate. The installation process must include the following:
    - All existing vegetation and root systems must be removed, unless approved by Drop by Drop staff.
    - Chose plants with full, healthy foliage.
    - A minimum of 3 inches of organic mulch must be placed around trees and a minimum of 2 inches placed around plants.
    - **Edging must be used between turf and beds.**
    - Complete by June 15<sup>th</sup>
6. Drop by Drop Rebate Request:
  - Verify receipts: Once installation is complete, submit original receipts or final invoice from the supplier or contractor with the Rebate Request. **Each receipt with the eligible plants and/or materials must be labeled.** All receipts will become property of the City of Pflugerville therefore we encourage you to keep copies of your receipts.
7. Schedule final site visit.
  - When the Drop by Drop staff receives your receipts and the Rebate Request, a Drop by Drop inspector will call you within 14 days to schedule a final inspection.
8. Receive your rebate check within six weeks.

### Example Site Plans

(Please note, computer drawing *not* to scale)



- Key 1 sq = 2ft
- Proposed Plants**
- |                    |                       |                            |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| ☀ Texas Sage (4)   | ☀ Artemesia (3)       | ☀ Bulbine (5)              |
| ✦ Autumn Sage (8)  | ☀ Blackfoot Daisy (3) | ☀ Crawling Rosemary (2)    |
| ☀ Bicolor Iris (4) | ☀ Damianita (5)       | ☀ Mexican Feathergrass (5) |
| ☀ Tall Cedar (3)   | ☀ Mexican Oregano (3) | ☀ Live Oak (1)             |

## Recommendations and Tips

### Site Evaluation:

Drop by Drop recommends the following evaluation before designing and planting your new landscape.

- *Site survey:* Walk the site and look for problems such as drainage, low areas, rocky areas, overhead and underground utilities, existing irrigation heads and pipes, etc.
- *Quality survey:* Check the soil depth and quality.
- *Watering quality:* You should hydrozone your landscape; for example, shrubs with the same water needs should be grouped together and separated from turf areas.

### Tree Care:

The following is the watering schedule for newly planted trees when rainfall is absent. If rainfall occurs, reduce or eliminate watering during that portion of the establishment.

- Daily for two weeks (omit if planting between November and March)
- Every other day for 4 months
- Weekly for the remainder of the year
- Once every two weeks the following year
- Once a month the third year and/or as needed if droughty
- Apply two to three inches of mulch around the tree, leave space around the trunk.

### Watering Tips:

- For new gardens, water regularly until the new plants are well established. Once established, minimal to no water should be necessary.
- The best time of day to water is early morning or late evening. Watering in the middle or the hottest part of the day can burn your plants and wastes water.
- Use rainwater! You can apply to receive 50% off a rain barrel from the Parks and Recreation Department, call 990-6355 to check availability.

### Planting and Gardening Tips:

- Only apply organic fertilizers like compost or manure in the fall and spring (within the Drop by Drop season.)
- Fertilize only the plant(s) you're planting, no need to fertilize an entire garden, excess can run off landscapes and into creeks which promotes algae growth
- Don't overwater, native plants don't thrive with excess water
- To control weeds, remember to use a weed barrier, which can range from products at gardens stores or even old newspapers and or cardboard.
- Use mulch! 3 inches of mulch retains moisture, reduces run off, slows weed growth, and moderates soil temperatures. Free mulch is available at the Recycling Center.
- Reapply mulch every year as the mulch decomposes or washes away.

## Frequently Asked Questions:

**Q: Can I use plants not on the Drop by Drop list?**

**A:** Call Staff for approval, otherwise your application will be returned for resubmittal.

**Q: Can I apply for a rebate for plants I planted last season?**

**A:** No, only plants bought *after* the application is approved and that are listed on the approved application may qualify for a rebate.

## Other Programs:

### Chipping

The City of Pflugerville is offering free curbside chipping from the Utility Department.

Call (512) 252-CHIP for more information or

Email: [chipping@pflugervilletx.gov](mailto:chipping@pflugervilletx.gov).

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### Mulch and Compost

The City of Pflugerville is offering free compost and mulch at the Recycling Center.

Bring your own containers and loading tools, all material must be loaded by recipient.

The Recycling center is located at 2609 E. Pecan St. next to the Travis County Metro Park

For more information call the Public Works Department at (512) 990-6400

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## Recommended Sites:

[The Pflugerville Green Site](http://www.treesaregood.org)

[www.treesaregood.org](http://www.treesaregood.org)

[www.txforests-service.tamu.edu](http://www.txforests-service.tamu.edu)

[www.growgreen.org](http://www.growgreen.org)

# Plant List

\*Other native or adapted plants may be used if approved by staff



Butterfly indicates attracts butterflies, hummingbirds, and other wildlife.

## TREES, EVERGREEN

Arizona Cypress Cupressus arizonica 40' x 20' Sun	Deodar Cedar Cedrus deodara 80' x 40' Sun	Eastern Red Cedar Juniperus virginiana 70' x 45' Sun	Mountain Laurel Sophora secundiflora 20' x 6' Sun
Live Oak Quercus virginiana 80' x 30' Sun	Mexican Bird of Paradise Caesalpinia mehicaa 10' x 15' Sun		

## TREES, DECIDUOUS

Anacua Ehretia anacua 50' x 40' Sun	Bald Cypress Taxodium distichum 60' x 30' Sun	Burr Oak Quercus macrocarpa 80' x 30' Sun	Texas Red Oak Quercus texana 60' x 40' Sun
Cedar Elm Ulmus crassifolia 60' x 20' Sun	Chinese Pistache Pistacia chinensis 50' x 30' Sun	Chinquapin Oak Quercus muhlenbergii 80' x 30' Sun	Texas Pistache Pistacia texana 30' x 30' Sun
Crape Myrtle Lagerstroemia indica 30' x 12' Sun	Rough Leaf Dogwood Cornus drummondii 12' x 36' Part Shade	Mexican Plum Prunus Mexicana 20' x 15' Sun	Texas Persimmon Diospyros texana 20' x 12' Sun
Eve's necklace Sophora affinis 20' x 10' Part Shade	Prairie Flameleaf Sumac Rhus copallina and lanceolata 20' x 15' Sun	Golden Ball Lead Tree Leucaena retusa 20' x 15' Part Shade	Texas Black Walnut Juglans microcarpa 30' x 30' Sun
Honey Mesquite Prosopis glandulosa 30' x 30' Sun	Mexican Buckeye Ungnadia speciosa 15' x 8' Sun	Desert Willow Chilopsis linearis 12' x 12' Sun	Texas Ash Fraxinus texensis 45' x 20' Sun
Mexican (Texas) Redbud Cercis canadensis var. mexicana (texensis) 20' x 12' Part Shade	Mexican White Oak Quercus polymorpha 80' x 30' Sun	Montezuma cypress Taxodium mucronatum 45' x 40' Sun	Shumard Oak Quercus shumardii 80' x 30' Sun
Pecan Carya illinoensis 60' x 50' Sun			

## SHRUBS, SEMI-EVERGREEN

Rose Mallow Pavonia lasiopetala 3' x 3' Sun/Shade	Pineapple Guava Feijoa sellowiana 15' x 18' Sun	Glossy Abelia Abelia grandiflora 6' x 6' Sun/Shade	Pomegranate Punica granatum 8' x 5' Sun
Mexican Oregano Poliomintha longiflora 4' x 4' Sun	Autumn Sage Salvia greggii 3' x 2' Sun		

## SHRUBS, EVERGREEN

Agarita Berberis trifoliolata 6' x 3' Sun	Bee Brush Aloysia gratissima 6' x 12' Part Shade	Burford Holly Ilex cornuta 'Burfordii' 6' x 4' Sun/Shade	Nandina (fruitless) Nandina domestica 6' x 2' Sun/Shade
Damianita Chrysactinia mexicana 2' x 2' Sun	Dwarf Burford Holly Ilex cornuta "Burfordii Nana" 3' x 3' Sun/Shade	Dwarf Chinese Holly Ilex cornuta 'Dwarf Chinese' 3' x 3' Sun/Shade	Evergreen Sumac Rhus virens 10' x 6' Sun
Dwarf Yaupon Holly Ilex vomitoria 'Nana' 3' x 3' Sun/Shade	Elaeagnus Elaeagnus pungens 15' x 6' Sun	Indian Hawthorn Raphiolepis indica 2' x 2' Sun/Shade	Red Yucca Hesperaloe parviflora 3' x 6' Sun

Plant List

Cotoneaster Cotoneaster spp. 2' x 6' Sun	Rosemary Rosmarinus glaucophylla  4' x 4' Sun	Sacahuista, Bear Grass Nolina texana 4' x 6' Sun	Yaupon Holly Ilex vomitoria 20' x 12' Sun/Shade
Skullcap Scutellaria suffrutescens  1' x 2' Sun	Skeleton-leaf Goldeneye Viguiera stenoloba 3' x 3' Sun	Silverleaf Cotoneaster Cotoneaster glaucophyllus 3' x 5' Sun	Wax Myrtle Myrica cerifera 15' x 15' Sun
Texas Sage Leucophyllum frutescens 4' x 4' Sun	Texas Sotol Dasylirion texanum 6' x 6' Sun	Texas Oregon-grape Mahonia swaseyi 3' x 6' Sun	

## SHRUBS, DECIDUOUS

American Beautyberry Callicarpa americana 6' x 4' Sun/Shade	Bird of Paradise Caesalpinia gilliesii 10' x 5' Sun	Black Dalea Dalea frutescens 3' x 4' Sun	Carolina Buckthorn Rhamnus caroliniana 20' x 15' sun/Part Sun
Butterfly Bush Buddleja spp.  9' x 9' Sun	Flame Acanthus Aniscanthus quadrifidus 4' x 6' Sun/Shade	Indigo Bush Dalea greggi  2' x 4' Sun/Shade	Velvet Leaf Senna Senna lindheimeriana 3' x 6' Sun/Shade
Mountain Sage Salvia regal 3' x 6' Sun/Shade	Possumhaw Holly Ilex decidua 15' x 10' sun	Pride of Barbados Caesalpinia pulcherrima 10' x 15' Sun	Texas Kidneywood Eysenhardtia texana 6' x 12' Sun
Red Buckeye Aesculus pavia 12' x 36' Sun/Shade	Texas-creeping Oheye Wedelia texana 1' x 3' Sun/Shade	Turk's Cap Malvaviscus arboreus 4' x 4'	

## PERENNIALS

Artemesia Artemesia schmidtiana  1' x 1' Sun	Bulbine Bulbine spp.  2' x 2' Sun	Copper Canyon Daisy Tagetes lemmonii 3' x 3' Sun	Sage, Magestic Salvia guaranitica  3'-5' Sun/Shade
Blue mistflower Conoclinium coelestinum 1'-3' Part shade	Pink Skullcap Scutellaria suffrutescens  1' x 2' Sun/Partial shade	Yellow Columbine Aquilegia chrysantha  2' x 2' Partial Shade/Shade	Salvia, Gregg Salvia greggii  2'-3' Sun/Partial Sun
Lamb's Ear Stachys byzantina 1'-2' x 2' Partial Shade	Porterweed Stachytarpheta jamaicensis 1 1/2'-2' Sun/Partial Shade	Iris, Bicolor Dietes sp  4' x 3' Sun/Partial Shade	Ruellia (dwarf) Ruellia brittoniana 8'' -1' Sun/Shade
FireBush Hamelia patens  3' x 3' Partial sun/Sun	Prairie verbena Glandularia bipinnatifida  6''-1' x 2' Partial Shade	Yarrow Achillea millefolium  1'-2' x 1' Sun/ Partial sun	Coreopsis Coreopsis lanceolata  1.5' x 1 Sun/Partial Shade
Hibiscus Perennial Hibiscus spp. 4' x 3' Sun	Purslane Portulaca spp. 1' x 2' Sun	Spiderwort Tradescantia sp 2' x 2' Sun	Jerusalem Sage Phlomis fruticosa 2-3' x 2' Sun
Hymenohys (Four Nerve Daisy) Tetraneuris scaposa 1' x 1' Sun	Pride of Barbados Caesalpinia pulcherrima 5-6' x 5' Sun	Gulf Coast Penstemon Penstemon tenuis 2.5' x 2.5' Sun/Partial Shade	Rock Penstemon Penstemon baccharifolius 1 1/2' x 1' Sun
Drummond's Skullcap Scutellaria drummondii  6''-1' x 2' Sun-Partial shade	Cedar Sage Savia roemeriana  1'-2' x 1' Shade/Partial Shade	Russian Sage Perovskia atriplicifolia  3' x 3' Sun	Yellow Bells/Esperanza Tecoma stans  4'-8' x 5' Sun
Blue Plumbago Plumbago auriculato  4' x 3' Sun-Part shade	Blackfoot Daisy Melampodium leucanthum  6''-1' x 1' Sun	Society Garlic Tulbaghia violacea  2 1/2' x 2' Sun/Partial Shade	Tropical Milkweed Asclepias currasavica  3' x 4' Sun / Partial Shade
Purple cone Flower Echinacea purpurea  2' x 2' Sun-shade	Winecup, Perennial Callirhoe involucrata  6''-1' x 1' Sun/Part Shade	Peruvian Verbena Verbena peruviana  6'' - 1' Sun	Mexican Mint Marigold Tagetes lida  2 1/2' x 2' Sun-shade
Gayfeather Liatris mucronata  1 1/2' x 2' Sun	Mealy Blue Sage Salvia farinacea  2' x 2' Sun/Partial Shade	Lantana lantana spp.  2' x 2' Sun-Shade	Fall Aster Aster oblongifolius 2-3' x 2' Sun/Partial Shade
Indigo Spires Salvia 'Indigo Spires' 4' x 3' Sun/Partial Shade	Gaura Gaura lindheimeri 2' x 2' Sun	Daylily Hemerocallis sp 1 1/2' x 2' Sun	Iris, Bearded Iris germanica 1 1/2' x 2' Sun
Cast Iron Plant Aspidistra elatior 3' x 2' Shade	Cigar Plant Cuphea micropetala 2'-4' x 2' Sun	Zexmenia Wedelia texana 1' x 3' Sun/Shade	Mexican Oregano Poliomntha Longflora 3' x 4' Sun/ Part Shade

## GRASSES

Bushy Bluestem <i>Andropogon glomeratus</i> 2'-5' x 2' Sun	Big Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia lindheimeri</i> 3'-6' x 3'-4' Part Shade	Inland Sea Oats <i>Chasmanthium latifolium</i> 2'-4' x 2' Part Shade	Little Bluestem <i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> 3'-4' x 2' Sun
Gulf Muhly <i>Muhlenbergia capillaries</i> 1 1/2'- 3' x 2' Part Shade	Mexican Feathergrass <i>Nassella tenuissima</i> 2' x 2' Sun	Fountain Grass <i>Pennisetum alopecuroides</i> 3' x 3' Sun	

## VINES

Carolina Jessamine <i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i> 6-20' Sun/Partial Shade	Passion Vine <i>Passiflora incarnate</i> 6-15' Sun/Partial Shade	Coral Vine <i>Antigonon leptopus</i> 6-30' Sun/partial Shade	Virginia Creeper <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> 40' Sun/shade
Trumpet Vine <i>Campsis radicans</i> 6-40' Sun/Partial Shade 	Honeysuckle, Coral <i>Lonicera sempervirens</i> 6-12' Sun/Partial Shade 	Crossvine <i>Bignonia capreolata</i> 6-30' 	

## GROUNDCOVER

Leadwort, Plumbago <i>Cerastigma plumbaginoides</i> 6"-12" x 2'+ Sun/ Partial Shade	Liriope <i>Liriope muscari</i> 12"-18" x 2'+ Sun/Shade	Monkey Grass (Mondo Grass) <i>Ophiopogon japonicus</i> 4"-8" Partial Shade/Shade	Sedum <i>Sedum spp.</i> 4"-1' x 2'+ Sun/Shade
Germander, Creeping <i>Teucrium cossonii</i> 4"-6" x 1'+ Sun	Dalea, Gregg <i>Dalea greggii</i> 6"-12" x 1'+Sun/Partial Shade	Rosemary, Trailing <i>Rosmarinas officianalis</i> Var. prostrates 1'-2' x 2'+ Sun	Santolina (Lavender Cotton) <i>Santolina chamaecyparissus</i> 1'-1 1/2' x 2'+ Sun
Wooly Stemodia <i>Stemodia lanata</i> 4"-6" x 3'+ Sun/Part Shade	Silver Ponyfoot <i>Dichondra argentea</i> 2"-4" x 2'+ Sun/Part Shade		

## TURF

Bermuda <i>Cynodon daytion</i> 2-2.5" h. Sun	Buffalo <i>Buchloe dactyloides</i> 2.5-3" h. Sun	Zoysia <i>Zoysia spp</i> 2-2.5" h. Sun/Part Shade	
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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Name on Water Bill \_\_\_\_\_  
Pflugerville Water Account # \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
I heard about this program through: \_\_\_\_\_

**Agreement:**

- I understand that to receive the rebate, a staff member must perform a pre and final inspection.
- I understand that failure to provide all requested information will deem my application invalid.
- I understand that the rebate will be issued as a rebate check and that this rebate will be mailed 4-6 weeks after final inspection.
- I understand that the City of Pflugerville reserves the right to deny any rebate application if the applicant does not comply with the program qualifications, procedures, and specifications.
- I understand that my rebate will not exceed the purchase price of materials and labor cost is excluded.
- I understand that the only plants that will qualify are those listed on the Drop by Drop plant list or approved by Drop by Drop staff.
- I understand that plants required by lending institutions or as part of the builder's standard package do not qualify for rebate.
- I understand that each water account may only participate once a Drop by Drop season.
- I agree to complete my project by June 15.
- I agree to submit a firm completion date and will notify Drop by Drop staff of changes.
- I agree to maintain my landscape in a water efficient manner and comply with all City Ordinances regarding water use.

Printed name

Signature

Date

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# Drop by Drop Application Page 2

Name on Water Bill \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Checklist:**

- 2 photographs of existing yard
- Site plan of existing and proposed yard with the following labeled:
  - Buildings
  - Existing plants
  - North Arrow
  - Scale
- Sprinkler Heads
- Plants to be removed (Existing yard plan only)
- Proposed Plants (Proposed yard plan only)
- Sidewalks, Driveways, Fences, Roads

**Proposed Plants:**

Plants/Turf	Size	Qty.	Plant Price	Source	Total	Total refund
<b>Mulch</b>		<b>Qty</b>	<b>Cost Per Bag</b>	<b>Source</b>		
Rebate: \$						

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# Drop by Drop Rebate Request

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Water Bill \_\_\_\_\_

Pflugerville Water Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Date completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Installed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Plants/Turf	Size	Qty.	Plant Price	Source	Total	Total refund
Mulch		Qty	Cost Per Bag	Source		
					Rebate: \$	

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