



## Cycle 2 Micro Grant Applications Now Open Due by November 15, up to \$10,000 per site

At MRC, we seek to promote innovation by sponsoring mattress recycling research. We provide grants and funds for projects that aim to improve processes and explore new applications for recycled products.

MRC is currently accepting micro grant applications for its second grant cycle from facilities that currently collect or will collect discarded mattresses from the public for dismantling by MRC-contracted recyclers.

The funds will be used for equipment and infrastructure improvements to increase the recyclability of discarded mattresses and box springs by providing weather protection, or to achieve other efficiencies such as lowering costs and improving safety.

### Eligible Entities

- California entities currently collecting units for recycling or establishing collection programs for units.
- Private solid waste companies, transfer stations, landfills, recycling centers, non-profits, and government-owned or controlled entities.
- Entities that received a Cycle 1 Collections grant from MRC may also apply for Cycle 2 Collections grant funds if the Cycle 2 project is significantly different from the Cycle 1 project.
- One grant awarded per eligible site per cycle. An eligible entity that operates more than one collection site may submit separate applications for each site.

### Eligible Projects

Infrastructure and/or equipment that will:

- Improve the recyclability of discarded units by providing weather protection for collected units,
- Result in fewer units being landfilled,
- Create other efficiencies, such as increasing safety or lowering program transportation costs by transitioning existing collection sites from roll-off containers to 53' trailers for mattress consolidation.

Examples include:

- Cement pads or carports to keep units clean and dry.
- Ramps, stairs, z-walls or other site modifications to aid in loading units into 53' trailers.
- Container cover retrofits, forklift attachments or other equipment used solely for the purpose of loading discarded units.

*Projects must be complete by October 31, 2020.*

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