Landscape Renovation

RESOURCES

Urban landscapes provide MANY BENEFITS to communities and their citizens ...

• Aesthetic beauty
• Functionable outdoor living
• Increased property values

• Habitat for flora and fauna
• Interaction with nature
• Recreation and exercise

• Air and water quality improvement
• Reduction of urban heat island effect
• Storm water mitigation

Over time, landscape designs, functions and features may no longer meet the needs of the community and owners, or they may decline to a point where they need reinvestment, reimaginations, and renovation.

This guide gives you resources to help with landscape design, planning, construction, and management.

Be sure to know your local municipal ordinances

Commercial landscape renovations and other sizable projects will require additional steps to ensure they are in compliance with local municipal ordinances. Before starting any work, be sure to complete the following:

• Contact your local planning office to discuss the project scope and process required for approval.
• Depending on the project under consideration, you may have to hire a landscape architect, landscape designer, or irrigation designer to satisfy design requirements for the municipality.
• Submit an application to amend the final development plan. Specific plans and fees may be required.

This will vary in each municipality, and the timeline for the review can take one to six months, depending on the complexity, size and location of the project.

Rebates, grants and incentives might be available. Check with your local municipal offices and other entities to see if such support could assist with your project.
Denver Botanic Gardens spreads its collective wisdom through outreach, collaboration and education. Its horticultural outreach programs include design consultations and other services for municipalities and community projects.

Plant Select is the country’s leading brand of plants designed to thrive in high plains and intermountain regions, offering plants and designs that provide more beauty with less work to achieve smart, stunning and successful gardens using fewer resources and with a positive environmental impact.

Your local county agent can assist with consultations, support, and trusted, practical education to help you solve problems, develop skills and build a better future.

Resource Central offers seminars, guides on turf removal and replacement, sod recycling, pre-planned Gardens in a Box, irrigation audits, and many other landscape and water saving solutions.

The society’s mission is to advance landscape architecture through advocacy, communication, education, and fellowship. These professionals can take the lead on planning, design, and stewardship of healthy, equitable, safe, and resilient environments.

The Association of Professional Landscape Designers is dedicated to advancing the profession of landscape design, and to promoting the recognition of landscape designers as qualified and dedicated professionals.

This trade association has served Colorado’s landscape community since 1962. ALCC provides useful information to homeowners, property managers, urban/suburban dwellers, rural landowners and passionate gardeners statewide.

The National Association of Landscape Professionals advocates for lawn and landscape industry growth and the benefits they provide to our communities.

The organization provides educational opportunities, support for research, and legislative advocacy to enhance the professionalism of Colorado’s tree and lawn care industry.

WaterSense is transforming the marketplace for products and services that use water, while promoting a nationwide ethic of water efficiency to conserve resources for future generations and reduce water and wastewater infrastructure costs.