

Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ New Construction

This award recognizes a new residential or commercial landscape that adopts environmentally sound landscape, irrigation, and management policies that include Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ principles. The jury will consider the design, installation, and maintenance of the landscape based upon the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ checklist for new construction.

Typical Entries Include: Commercial, governmental, and multi-family new construction that have recently installed a Florida-Friendly landscape. Nominees may self-submit or may be nominated by others.

Below is a suggested outline for the project narrative.

- **Summary** (10 points)
 - What was the motivation to make environmentally friendly changes to the landscape?
 - Provide a detailed description of the planning and implementation of this project. Please provide a list of consultants used in this project, if applicable.
 - Describe the outreach activities that were part of the development of your program and methods used to create support among property owners, if applicable.
 - Discuss any challenges you faced in promoting program adoption to your board and/or residents.

- **Scope of Project** (60 points)
 - Please describe how site development incorporated FFL principles. (See [Site Development attachment](#)).
 - Describe irrigation design and installation.
 - Was fertilizer applied to new plantings?
 - Describe landscape installation.
 - Describe how the inclusion of FFL criteria enhances the design or community.
 - Please include any additional information you consider relevant to the topic.
 - Please provide landscape and irrigation plans if possible.
 - Upload images to illustrate your submission.

- **Long term maintenance plan** (20 points)
 - Does the Landscape maintenance contract incorporate UF/IFAS recommended Best Management Practices (BMPs)? See the [Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Management Contract](#).

- Are GI-BMP certified professionals to be hired for maintenance?
- **Outcome (10 points)**
 - Do you have ongoing evaluation and measurement of effectiveness of your environmental programs? If so, please describe.
 - Provide specifics on the program's results to date including the gallons and dollars saved by any Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ changes made. Please describe how you calculated the savings rate, return on the investment, and payback period for your community. Include information on any audits, tests or other methodologies used in the decision to implement the program.

Photo Release

By submitting your photographs for award consideration, you are granting The Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program (FFL) the right to use photo and project information in publications or other media material produced by FFL including but not limited to: brochures, invitations, books, newspapers, magazines, websites, etc. If you object to having your photos used in this manner, please do not submit them for award consideration.

Award entries should be submitted online:

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