

Illegal Dumping Payment Program FAQs

1) Why was this program created?

The Mattress Recycling Council (MRC), the non-profit formed by the mattress industry to implement a statewide mattress recycling program prescribed in SB-254 has developed the Illegal Dumping Payment Program (IDPP) fund to help off-set costs associated with efforts to clean-up illegally dumped mattresses and box springs in California.

2) Who is eligible to receive payments from the IDPP fund?

One of the objectives of the law was to create a program to assist public entities to clean-up illegally dumped mattresses and box springs. Qualifying urban and rural local governments, participating permitted solid waste facilities and authorized solid waste operations that accept mattresses are eligible to receive payments.

3) My municipality uses a franchised hauler(s) to collect illegally dumped mattresses. Are we eligible to receive compensation?

Yes but only ONE entity may receive payment. If your municipality has an arrangement with a franchise hauler to pick up illegally dumped units on behalf of the municipality then your franchise hauler must provide your municipality with documentation of the illegally dumped units collected.

4) My organization is a non-profit that is contracted with public entities to perform cleanup duties in the public right-of-way. Is our non-profit eligible to be reimbursed for any mattresses and box springs we collect and track?

Yes.

- 5) Do I have to be a contracted MRC collection point to receive compensation from the IDPP fund?

 No, but to be eligible for compensation, you must register with IDPP and submit an annual request for reimbursement.
- 6) Are Mattresses and Box Springs both eligible to receive the reimbursement? *Yes.*

7) How much will I be compensated for collecting illegally dumped units?

For calendar year 2016, MRC has allocated \$750,000 to the IDPP. MRC will pay all qualified registered collectors the same amount per unit (up to \$10.00 per unit), which will be calculated after the close of a calendar year by dividing the total funded amount by the number of illegally dumped units collected during the calendar year.

8) When will MRC allocate payments from the IDPP fund?

The MRC will reimburse eligible entities on an annual basis. Payment for 2016 collections will be made in March, 2017.

9) Our organization is a participating MRC collection location. Can we put illegally dumped units we collect in our collection container?

Yes, you may place the illegally dumped units in your container as long as they meet the MRC quality guidelines outlined in your contract.

10) Can I just provide MRC with the total number of units at the end of the year for illegally dumped mattresses and box springs collected?

No. Collectors must document the number of units collected noting the date, zip-code, and end disposition (recycled, landfilled, etc.) of collected units. Data must be entered monthly through MRC's reporting system,

11) May I receive reimbursement for illegally dumped mattresses that must be landfilled due to the quality of the units?

Yes. Illegally dumped mattresses that are excessively wet, dirty or damaged are not suitable for recycling.

12) Where can I register as a collector?

https://connect.re-trac.com/registration/mrc-idp