Deconstruction grants

Salvage, reuse, and recycle most of the building materials from your next home remodeling or demolition project

Deconstruction is the process of carefully dismantling building structures to salvage building materials for reuse. This approach provides an opportunity to reuse or recycle up to 90% of building materials and provides several environmental and social benefits compared to demolition.

Hennepin County has funding available for the demolition or major renovation of residential properties that use deconstruction techniques to remove reusable building materials. Homeowners and developers can receive up to $5,000 to help offset the additional time and labor costs for deconstruction.
Eligibility

- Applicants must be a homeowner or developer in participating cities. Check if your city is participating at hennepin.us/deconstruction.
- The work must be on residential properties, including houses and apartment buildings up to four units.
- Projects must meet the reuse and disposal criteria.
- The structure being demolished or renovated must have been built prior to 1950.
- The size of structure or area of renovation is 250 square feet or larger.

Reuse and disposal criteria

To qualify for funding, projects must meet the following criteria:

✓ A pre-demolition inspection must be conducted by Hennepin County staff.
✓ A minimum of six different material types must be removed for reuse.
✓ A minimum of 550 pounds of wood (including flooring, dimensional lumber, or ceiling/floor joists) must be deconstructed for reuse.
✓ All non-reusable building material generated from the project must be sent to a county approved construction and demolition (C&D) waste recycling processing facility.
✓ Applicants must submit itemized receipts to Hennepin County from salvage organizations to verify deconstruction. See list of salvage businesses at hennepin.us/deconstruction.
✓ Applicants must submit documentation showing the weight of material sent to an approved construction and demolition waste recycling facility.

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