

Toronto Eco-Roof Incentive Program — Municipal Payments for Green & Cool Roof Stormwater Retention

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Quality score: 47/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Toronto's Eco-Roof Incentive Program pays building owners CAD 100 per m² for green roofs (CAD 2-5/m² for cool roofs); since 2009 it has funded 600+ projects covering 1.1 million m², diverting over 17.5 million litres of stormwater annually per city data.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	3/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

[City of Toronto, Environment and Climate Division](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

[City of Toronto: Eco-Roof Incentive Program](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

[C40 Cities case study](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

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