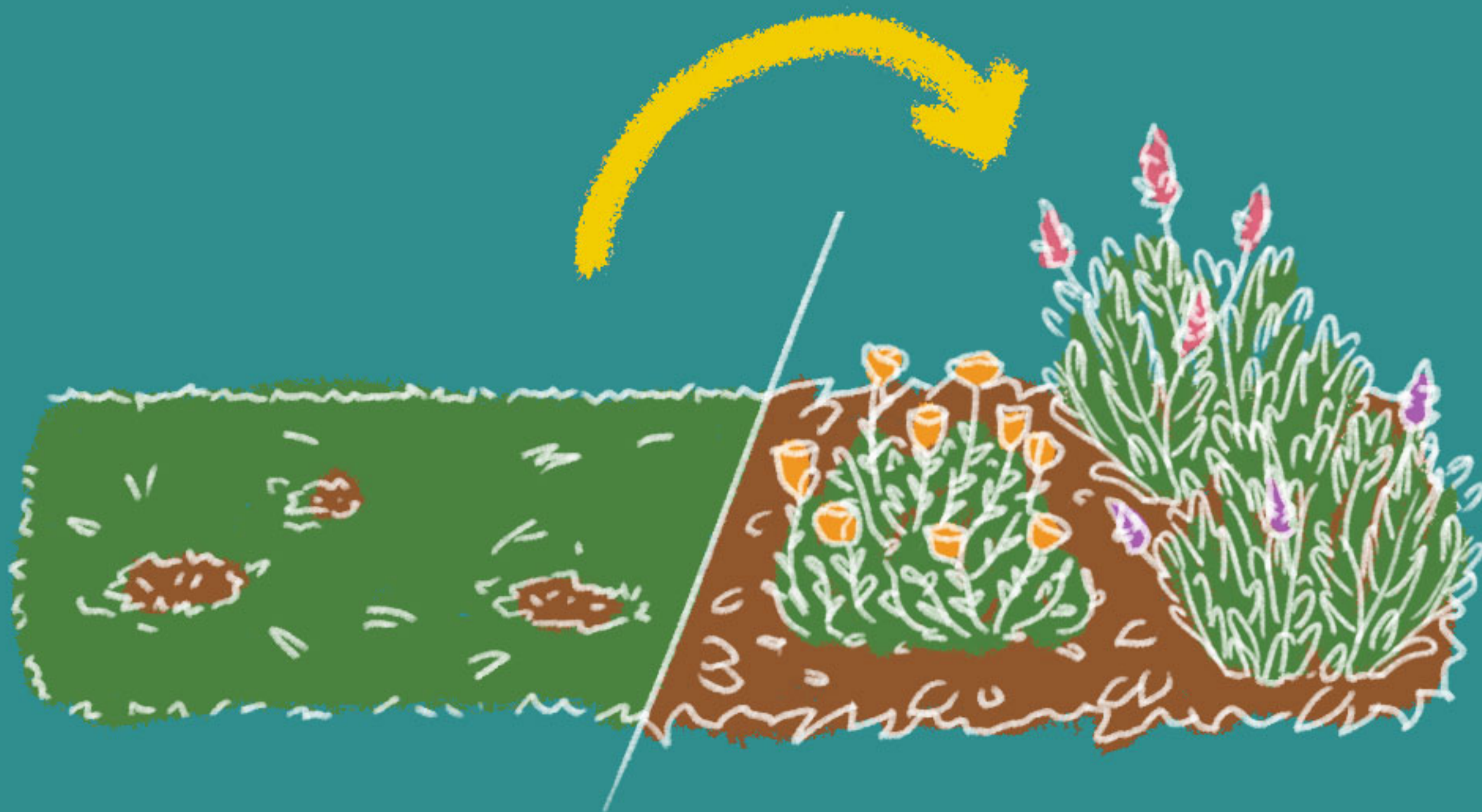


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How to Remove Grass





Removing your lawn and replacing it with climate appropriate landscaping like native trees and plants is one of the best ways you can conserve water. Additionally, you can get money/rebates for ripping out water-wasting grass!

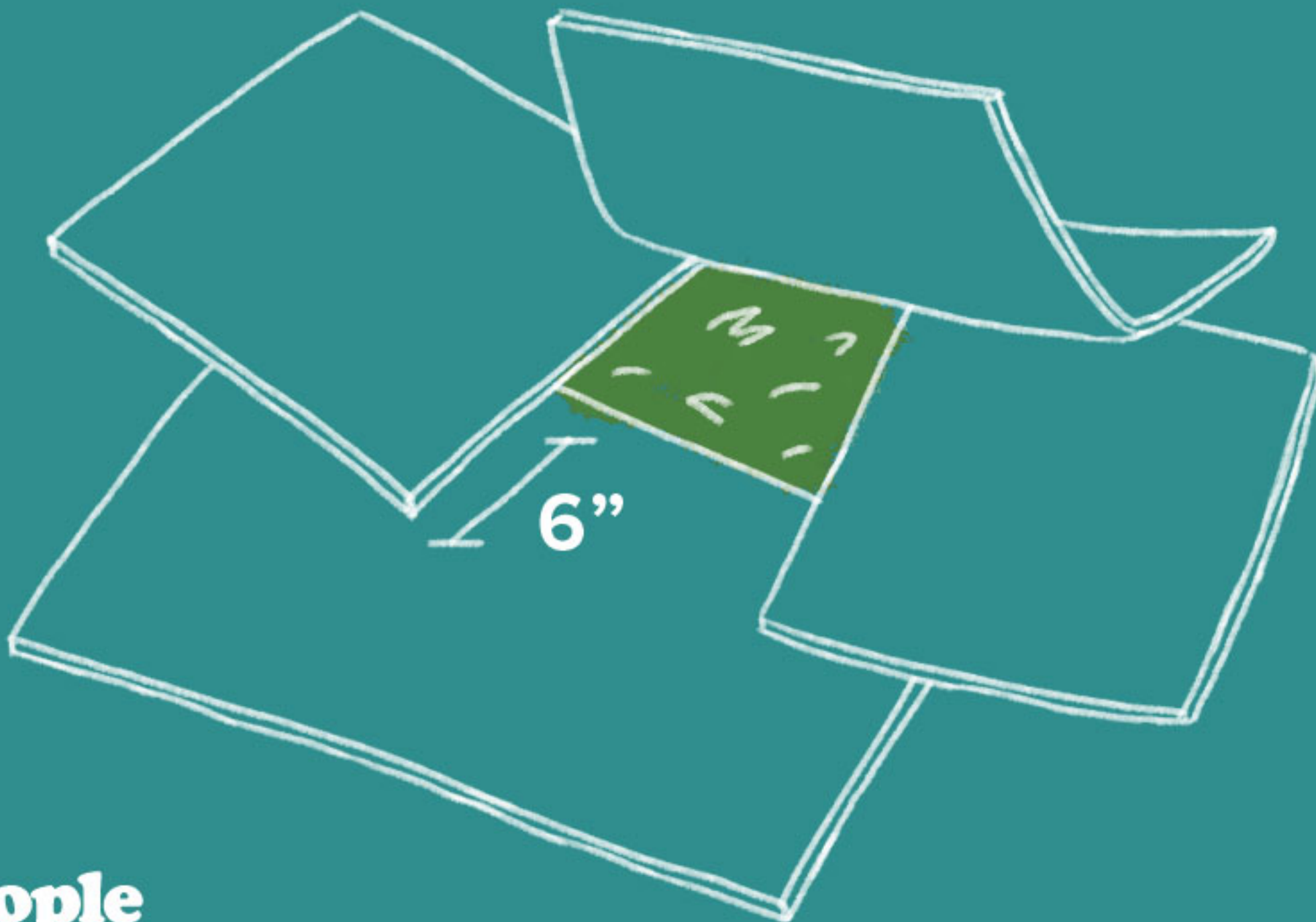
How do you go about removing your lawn? Well, one of the easiest and best ways to reduce your turf and get your yard ready for planting a water-wise landscape is sheet mulching. With sheet mulching, your yard can go from a water-thirsty, outdated (dying) grass carpet to a sustainable garden with minimal effort.



**Start saving your
cardboard now!**

To sheet mulch your lawn, follow these easy steps:

- 1 Wet the lawn, and then cover it with 1 layer of cardboard or 6 layers of newspaper. Be sure to overlap sheets by at least 6" to prevent the grass from growing through. Remove any slick glossy ads from newspapers and remove tape or labels from boxes – you just want pure paper or cardboard.

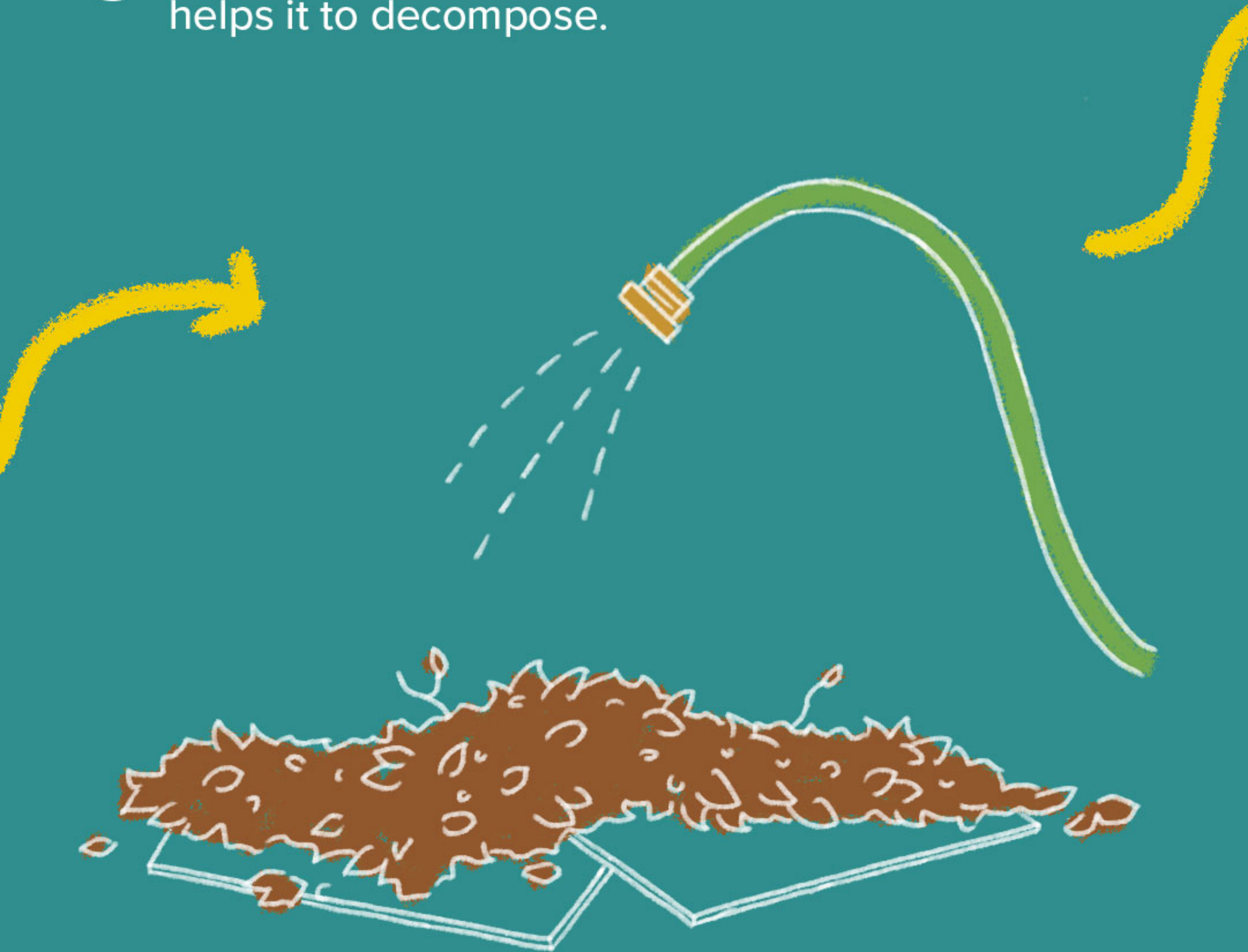


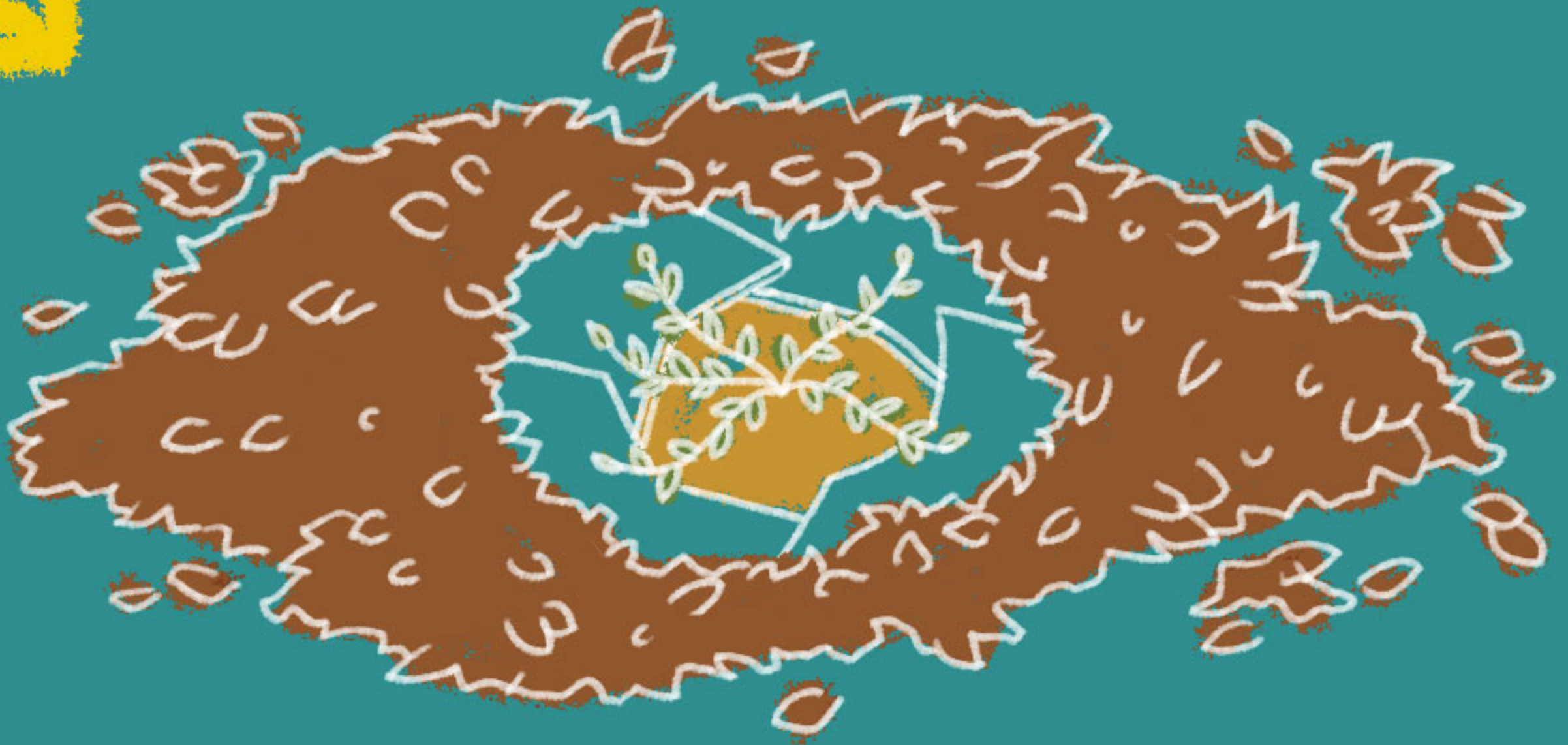


- 2** Add 4-6 inches of mulch on top of the cardboard or newspaper. Mulch is basically wood chips that are used to help slow evaporation and enrich the soil.

(You can likely get mulch for free by contacting local professional tree trimmers.)

3 Water it. Keeping the mulch and cardboard moist helps it to decompose.





- 4 After 2 months, dig through the layers to plant. The cardboard and paper will biodegrade and become part of the soil. If you don't want to wait that long to plant, simply move the mulch away from the places where you want to plant, then cut out the cardboard and remove it and the grass. That way your yard will get an instant transformation from “wasting water” to “water-wise” landscape.

Get money for removing your lawn!

There are multiple rebates to be had for replacing water-wasting grass with climate-appropriate landscaping! Visit [bewaterwise.com](https://www.bewaterwise.com) or search LADWP Turf Replacement Program.

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