Water Conservation

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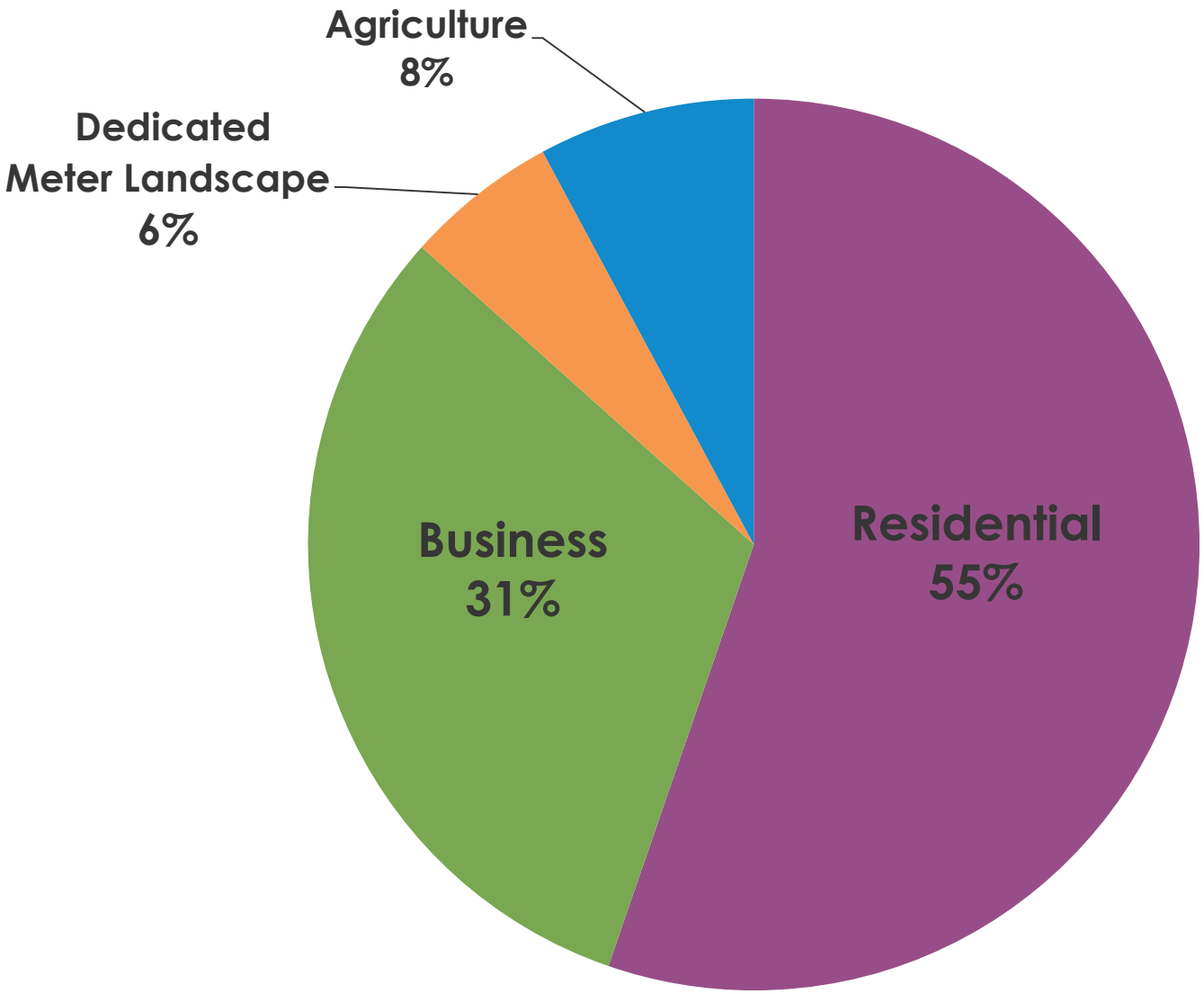
Water demands in Santa Clara County



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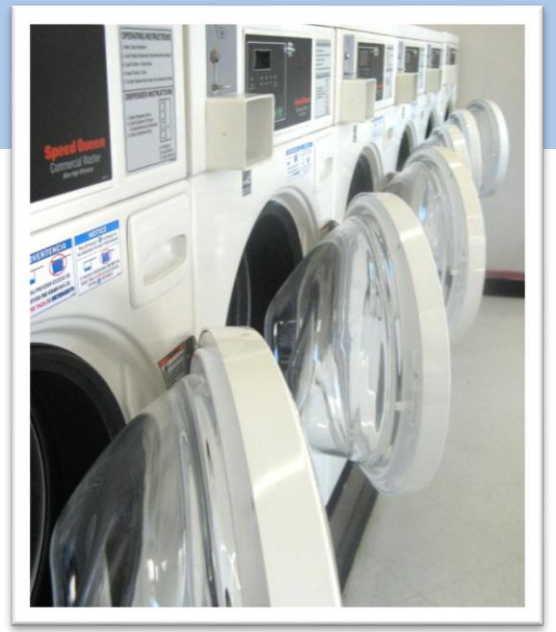
Why is Water Conservation Important?

- Increases long-term water supply reliability
- Assist in meeting short-term demands
- Reduces reliance on Delta
- Saves energy
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions
- Reduces urban runoff

We’re Here to Help!!

Water Conservation Programs



- Residential Programs
- Landscape Programs
- Commercial, Industrial, Institutional Programs
- Agricultural Programs
- Outreach/Education

Programs for Residents

- Water Wise Survey Program
  - Water Wise Outdoor Survey Program
  - Do It Yourself Indoor Survey Kit
    - Free Low Flow Showerheads and Aerators, Toilet Flappers, etc.
- Graywater Rebate Program
- Landscape Rebate Program

Water Wise Survey Program - Indoor

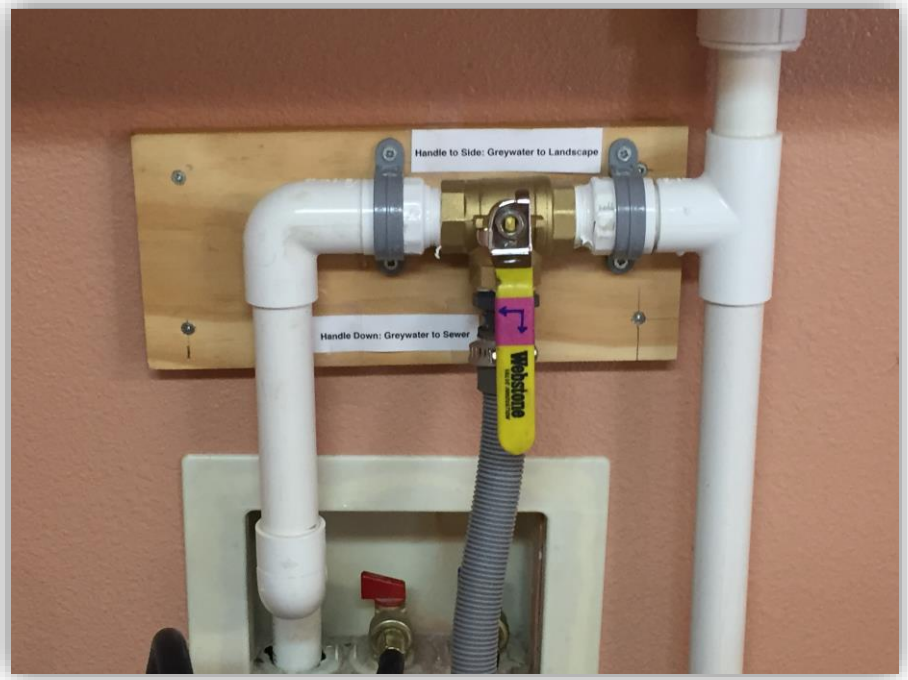
- For Residents in Santa Clara Co.
  - San Jose Water Co. customers have their own program
- We send a free Do-It-Yourself Indoor Water Use Survey Kit
  - Plastic flow rate bag
  - Toilet leak detection tablets
  - Booklet with instructions and survey to fill out (also available in Spanish and Vietnamese). How-To Videos online too!
- Send us the completed survey, and we'll send you:
  - Showerhead
  - Aerator
  - Toilet Flapper

Water Wise Survey Program - Outdoor

- For Residents in Santa Clara Co.
  - San Jose Water Co. customers have their own program
  - Large CII/MF sites over ½ acre can participate in our **Large Landscape Survey Program**
- By appointment, an irrigation professional will come to your home and:
  - Evaluate your irrigation system
  - Identify any problems or areas that could be improved
  - Recommend upgrades and repairs
  - Tell you about rebates that you may qualify for.

Graywater Laundry to Landscape Rebate

- For Residents in Santa Clara Co.
- Rebate is for clothes washers only – divert rinse water to your landscape. **No permit required.**
- Rebate is $200 per installed system
  - City of Cupertino and San Jose Muni Water customers add funding so rebate there is $400
- Residents must complete a self-guided pre-inspection and receive application approval before installing a system.
- There's more info and great resources on our website



Landscape Rebate Program

Landscape Conversion Rebate

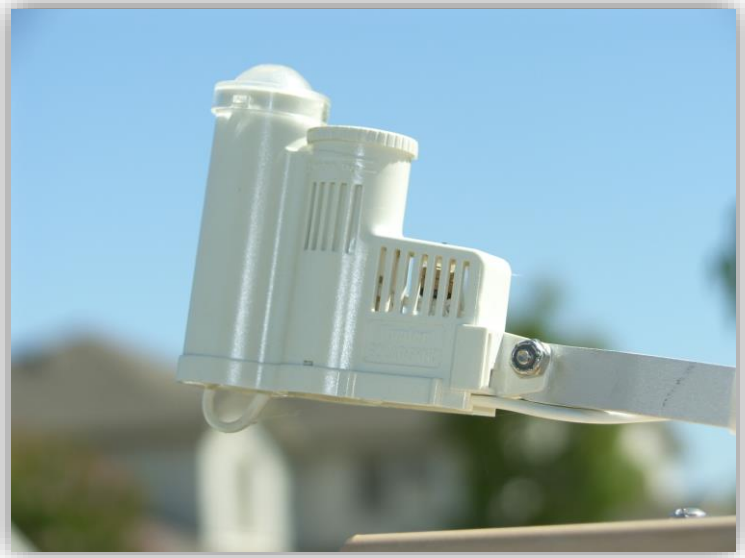
- For sites (residential, commercial, etc.) in Santa Clara Co.
- Rebate is $1.00 per sq. ft. of converted high water-use landscape
  - In cost sharing areas, the rebate is $2 per sq ft
    - Palo Alto, Morgan Hill, Cupertino, San Jose Municipal Water
- Open to residents & businesses

Landscape Rebate Program

Irrigation Equipment Upgrade Rebate

- For residential & commercial sites in Santa Clara Co
- Rebates include:
  - In-line Drip Irrigation = $0.25 per square foot
  - High-Efficiency Nozzles = Up to $5 per nozzle
  - Rain Sensor = Up to $50 per sensor
  - Dedicated Landscape Meter, Flow Sensors, and Hydrometers = Up to $1,000 per
  - Weather Based Irrigation Controller
    - 1-12 Stations = Up to $300 per controller
    - 13-24 Stations = Up to $1,000 per controller
    - 25 Stations or more = Up to $2,000 per controller

More Irrigation Equip. rebates on our website….



Landscape Rebate Program

New!! Rain Water Capture Rebates

- For residential & commercial sites in Santa Clara Co
- Rebates include:
  - Rain Barrels - $35 per unit
  - Cisterns - $0.50 per gallon of storage
  - Rain Gardens - $1 per square foot of roof area diverted, up to $300 per site.

Rebates for Businesses

- Submeter Rebates – $150 per installed submeter
- Custom/Measured Rebates for retrofitting equipment (WET Program)
- **Free** Pre-Rinse Sprayers

Submeter Rebate Program

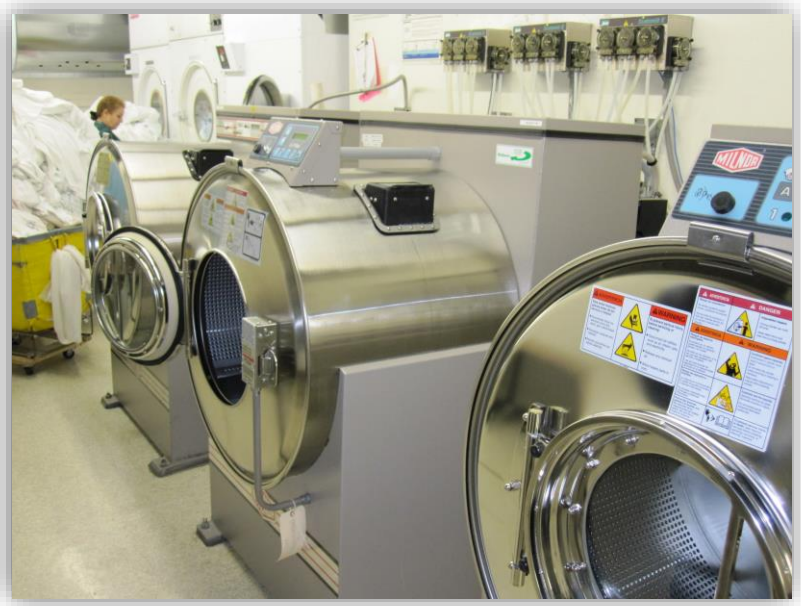
- For mobile homes, condo and apartment complexes in Santa Clara Co.
- Individual submeters need to be installed at complex with only one main water meter
- Rebate is $150 per installed submeter
- Study by the District showed that water submeters result in an average of 22% water savings

Water Efficient Technology (WET) Program

- This rebate is for commercial, industrial or institutional customers that make equipment changes that save water.

- Rebates are based on measured water savings. Custom/measured rebates

- Rebate is $4 per HCF (Hundred Cubic Feet or 748 gallons) of water saved per year, or 50% of the cost of the project, which ever is lower.
  The max rebate is $50,000 per project, with a minimum of $400 per project.



Water Waste Inspector Program

- Valley Water's Water Waste Inspectors respond to reports of water waste and violations of water use restrictions
- They provide education and resources to help residents to reduce water use and eliminate water waste.

Outreach and Education

Events: District attends or supplies materials to many community events each year

Summer Outreach Campaign: *coming soon*

Workshops: workshops offered for homeowners and landscape professionals

Literature: District offers a wide variety of educational literature

Website: www.valleywater.org

Questions?

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