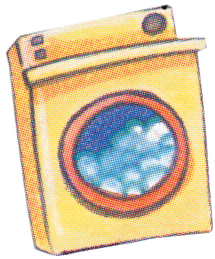


It's Water Awareness Month!

April is Arizona Water Awareness Month, and April 22 is Earth Day. So now's the perfect time for you and your family to find ways to save water (which saves money, too).

Many businesses save water by recycling water and updating equipment to use less water. Many farmers and ranchers help save water by using more efficient irrigation systems. In Arizona, we also store water underground, where it is not lost to evaporation, for future use.

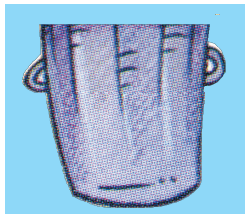
But water conservation doesn't have to be fancy to be effective. Here are some great ways you and your family can save water around your home! For more great water-saving tips and resources, go to <http://waterawarenessmonth.com>.



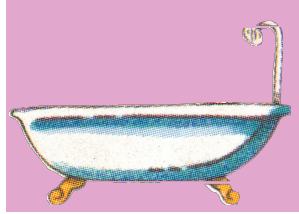
Wait until your family has a full load of clothes before you run the washing machine. **Save up to 50 gallons.**

Running your dishwasher only when it's full can save up to 15 gallons of water. If you wash dishes by

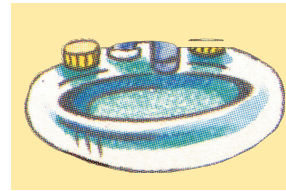
hand, fill the sink half way with soapy water, scrub all the dishes and only run the faucet to rinse them off.



Early morning is the best time to water the lawn instead of in the heat of the day, 100 gallons of water per day

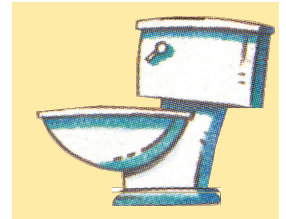


Everybody can keep their showers to 5 minutes or less (3 minutes is ideal) to save up to 35 gallons of water per shower! Replace old shower-heads with new low-flow ones. And If you take baths, fill the tub only half full to save water.



Turning off the faucet while brushing your teeth can save up to 6 gallons of water every time you brush!

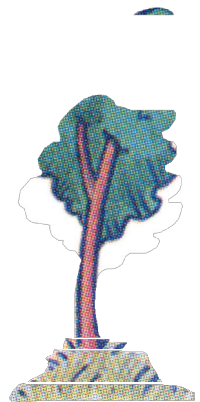
Ask your parents to fix your leaking toilet. Save up to 50 gallons of water per day!



Sweeping off your porch or sidewalk instead of hosing it off saves 25 gallons of water each time!



All your trees and shrubs in your yard will like having mulch around them, saving up to 150 gallons of water a day!



Vegetables and scraps can be put in the trash or composted instead of in the garbage disposal, saving up to 5 gallons of water each time!

More Ways to Learn About Water

WATER WORD SCRAMBLE!

Arrange the big capital letters from each tip to spell out this Water Wise message:.

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