



# INDOOR WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

## YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

- Run your washing machine and dishwasher only when they are full and you could save 1000 gallons a month.
- Use the garbage disposal sparingly. Compost instead and save gallons every time.
- When you shop for a new appliance, consider one offering cycle and load size adjustments.
- When doing laundry, match the water level to the size of the load.
- Cut back on rinsing if your dishwasher is new. Newer models clean more thoroughly than older ones.
- If your shower can fill a one-gallon bucket in less than 20 seconds, then replace it with a water-efficient showerhead.
- Put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into the toilet bowl, you have a leak. It's easy to fix, and you can save more than 600 gallons a month.
- Plug the bathtub before turning the water on, then adjust the temperature as the tub fills up.
- Make sure your toilet flapper doesn't stick open after flushing.
- Make sure there are aerators on all of your faucets.
- Keep a pitcher of water in the refrigerator instead of running the tap for cold drinks, so that every drop goes down you not the drain.
- Wash your produce in the sink or a pan that is partially filled with water instead of running water from the tap.
- Collect the water you use for rinsing produce and reuse it to water houseplants.
- Time your shower to keep it under 5 minutes. You'll save up to 1000 gallons a month.
- Designate one glass for your drinking water each day. This will cut down on the number of times you run your dishwasher.
- Don't use running water to thaw food.
- Teach your children to turn the faucets off tightly after each use.
- Soak your pots and pans instead of letting the water run while you scrape them clean.
- Turn off the water while you brush your teeth and save 4 gallons a minute. That's 200 gallons a week for a family of four.