

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
MUNICIPAL

WATER DISTRICT



Water Well Worth Conserving

Make Conservation
a Way of Life!

The District Can Help!
Water Saving Tips • Rebates
Water Conservation Grants •
Education

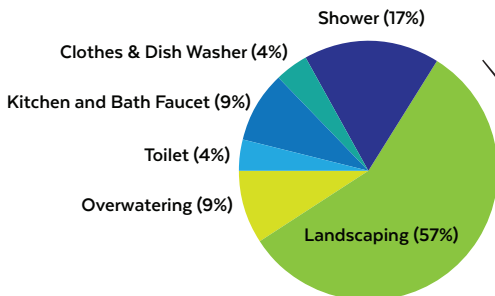


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Basic WATER SAVING TIPS

Typical Household Water Usage



Average daily per resident water use ranges from 65-165 gallons per day in the SGVMD service area. About 80 percent of the water we use in the San Gabriel Valley is local groundwater; the remaining 20 percent is water imported from northern California and the Colorado River. Here are effective water saving techniques:

Outdoors

Remember 50-80% of water use occurs outdoors!



Remove turf lawns. California Native plants use 1/7th the amount of water.

Eliminate leaks and over-watering.

Install smart irrigation controllers and water-wise irrigation systems.

Install pool covers to reduce evaporation.



Indoors

Fix leaky faucets and toilets



Install water-wise toilets and clothes and dish washers

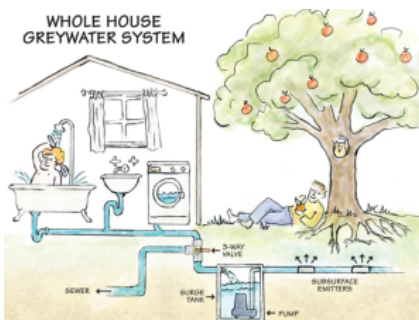


Install flow restrictors on faucets and take shorter showers.



Enhanced WATER SAVING TIPS

The next drought may be just around the corner, so here are ways for you to pursue innovative water supply solutions and prepare for the future.



Install Greywater Residential Recycling Systems

Greywater is the water that comes from baths, showers and washing machines. It is readily available, safe and saves water and money.

For more information about greywater, visit www.greywateraction.org.

Install Rainwater Capture or Harvesting Systems

Rainwater capture systems may be large infrastructure projects such as flood control channels and reservoirs, or be in the form of rain barrels and cisterns at individual residential, business and public/civic properties.



Support Expansion of Recycled Water and Water Re-Use Systems

Recycled wastewater is abundant, cost-effective and used to irrigate golf courses, parks, freeway landscaping and crops (wherever you see purple pipes). It is also used to replenish groundwater basins.



Be Informed of and Vote for Long-Term Water Supply Solutions

Water has become a major public policy issue at all levels of government. Legislation, ballot measures, enhancements and repairs to water delivery infrastructure, water quality investments, large-scale water recycling and storm water capture projects, and local water rate adjustments require informed voters.

A timely example is *California WaterFix*, which is a proposed modernization of the State Water Project (SWP), which conveys water from northern to southern California. The proposal would make the SWP more compatible with the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta's declining ecosystem and 1,100 miles of levees which are increasingly vulnerable to earthquakes, flooding, saltwater intrusion and climate change (www.californiawaterfix.com/).



We encourage stakeholders to learn more about *California WaterFix*, which proposes to increase the amount of water available for import to southern California, as well as reduce or eliminate the impact of the new facilities on the environment and Delta communities.

Save WATER AND MONEY



Water Well Worth Conserving

The District provides financial incentives to help you buy and install water saving appliances and fixtures. The following rebates are available to residents and businesses of Alhambra, Monterey Park and Sierra Madre. To learn more about the program, including schedules and applications, please visit our website (www.sgvmd.org).

Washing Machine Rebate



Premium High Efficiency Toilet Rebate



Waterless Urinal Rebate



Irrigation Controller Rebate



Rain Barrel Rebate



Cistern Rebate



Rotating Sprinkler Rebate



Soil Moisture Sensor Rebate



Note: Rebates for Azusa residents and businesses may be found at:
www.ci.azusa.ca.us/544/Water

Learn FROM DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS



Opportunities for Water Leadership

O.W.L. Community Grant Program

We invite your school or community organization (in Alhambra, Azusa, Monterey Park or Sierra Madre) to “get creative” about saving water and to participate in our new community grant program. Grant funding ranges from \$200-\$2,000 per project.

To learn more about program details, funding availability and schedules, and to apply for funding, visit our website (www.sgvmd.org) and review our informational flyer and easy-to-use online application form. Call 626-969-7911 if you have any questions.

Water Conservation Pilot Projects

The District has completed pilot projects that demonstrate water-saving landscaping, equipment and technology at visible community locations such as schools, city halls, parks, large water users, a YMCA and a Chamber of Commerce. Visit the pilot projects or our website (www.sgvmd.org) to learn more.

Paramount Elementary School in Azusa



Alhambra City Hall



Monterey Park Demonstration Garden



Sierra Madre City Hall

Participate

in Water Education Events in Your Community

Your City and the District offer a variety of educational workshops, events, tours and Board meetings related to water conservation, landscaping, leak detection and more. Here are several educational and information websites to assist you:

www.sgvmwd.org

www.theodorepayne.org

www.calscape.org

www.saveourwater.com



About The San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (SGVMWD)

The District was created in 1959 by voters in the “member” cities of Alhambra, Azusa, Monterey Park and Sierra Madre.

The District is one of 29 “State Water Contractors” in California and has been importing water from Northern California to Southern California since 1975 via the California Aqueduct as part of the State Water Project. Because local groundwater supplies only meet about 80% of demand, the District provides this imported water at the lowest cost possible to member cities to supplement local groundwater supplies.



OUR MISSION

is to provide reliable supplemental water for our member cities in a cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner.

Our facilities include a 38-mile pipeline and a 1.05 mega-watt hydroelectric facility, and our services include outreach to residents and businesses about water conservation, water supply solutions and water-related legislation.



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