The mission of the City of Vallejo Water Division is to provide safe drinking water for its customers.

One key process associated with our mission is <u>water conservation</u>. While conservation is not new to the city, it has taken on greater meaning as a result of multiple years of below-average rainfall in California.

Vallejo's water conservation program targets commercial, industrial and residential water users. The program has many elements including public and private school programs, distribution of water conservation devices, financial assistance/cash rebates for purchasing water efficient fixtures, and on-site residential and commercial water surveys that help home and business owners identify areas where water (and money!) can be saved.



This brochure highlights the city's ongoing water conservation efforts and many helpful tips to save our most precious resource, water.

Call 707-648-5299 for more information or visit <u>vallejowater.org</u>

SIMPLE WAYS TO SAVE!

Replace old toilets.

Save up to 60% by replacing your older (pre-1992) toilet with a new **high-efficiency toilet** (HET).

Replace old clothes washer.

With a high-efficiency model, you'll use about 50% less water and energy.

Check for leaks.

Test your toilets! Put a couple drops of food coloring in the tank. If the color appears in the bowl without flushing, there's a leak.

Run full loads.

Run your clothes washer and dishwasher with full loads to maximize water and energy efficiency.

Brush & conserve.

When brushing your teeth, remember to keep the water off until you are ready to rinse your brush. This can add up to 1,000 gallons a year or more!

Water early in the day.

Don't water plants during the middle of the day. It's best to water early in the morning when the sun is rising and the temperature is cool.

Reduce your lawn.

Reduce the size of your water-thirsty lawn, and replace it with water-efficient, low-maintenance plants. Visit www.solano.watersavingplants.com for water-wise landscaping ideas!

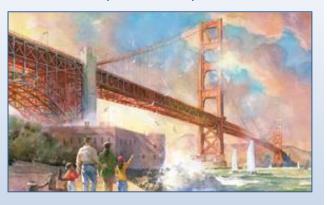


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WATER CONSERVATION HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE CITY OF VALLEJO

FREE residential & commercial water survey

Is your home is not as "water-wise" as you'd like it to be? Schedule a **FREE** water survey and we will:

- Supply a water use report to identify your water use trends.
- Help you locate your water meter.
- Show you how to use your water meter to spot leaks.
- Inspect your irrigation timer & review its settings.
- Check sprinkler spray patterns and water pressure.
- Provide water saving devices and additional information.

Solano County Water-Wise Gardening

Does your landscaping need help? Looking for new plants to grow in your garden? Want some tips on how to have a beautiful garden and conserve water at the same time?



Visit www.solano.watersavingplants.com or request a free copy of the Water-Wise Gardening CD-Rom today! This database was designed specifically for homeowners living in Solano County. It is an easy-to-use plant encyclopedia loaded with suggestions on which plants are best suited for the soil and weather conditions here in Solano County.

Save water & get CASH back!

Vallejo water customers are eligible for <u>cash rebates</u> when they purchase & install high-efficiency toilets, washing machines, and/or SMART irrigation control timers.

Funding for this rebate program is limited & may be terminated without notice.

Go to www.vallejowater.org for complete details and an application to apply for a toilet rebate and/ or Smart Controller rebate.

Water-Wise Landscaping Workshop

Every spring, a series of 2-hour workshops are used to teach homeowners the basic principles of water-wise landscaping from soil to irrigation design, to plant selection. Get the information you need to grow a beautiful, water-



wise garden and earn a chance to win some fabulous prizes to along the way!

Next workshops are scheduled: <u>Apr-May2015</u>

FREE water conservation devices

Free retrofit water conservation devices are available to all Vallejo residents. Request your low-flow showerheads, hose nozzles, soil moisture meters, kitchen and bathroom faucet aerators, toilet leak detecting tablets, and lots of educational material for adults and children today!



Water education for schools

Project WET Workshops: 6-hour seminars for K-12 teachers that promote awareness, knowledge, and stewardship of water resources though the development and use of interactive water specific learning activities and teaching aids.

Classroom Presentations: Our Water Education Specialists bring interactive water-focused activities and literature directly to school classrooms anywhere in the city. The presentations are funded by the City and complement California Common Core Standards.





Field Trips

Vallejo teachers can contact us to schedule a field trip to Lake Berryessa, a local drinking water source. Scheduled trips are also available to a local nature conservatory located at Loma Vista Farm. Available dates go quickly so teachers are encoured to schedule a trip early in the school year.

606 GALLONS OF WATER IS USED TO PRODUCE A 40Z HAMBURGER.

Water Facts

The overall amount of water on our planet has remained the same for 2 billion years!

The human brain is composed of 95% water, blood is 82% water, and the lungs are nearly 90% water.

About a billion people lack reliable access to clean water.

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