

# Administrative Services Directorate Health Unit

#### PRESERVE THE WATER FOR FUTURE

Safe and readily available water is important for public health, whether it is used for drinking, domestic use, food production or recreational purposes. Improved water supply and sanitation, and better management of water resources, can boost countries' economic growth and can contribute greatly to poverty reduction.



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# PROTECT THE SOURCE

Maintaining Water Resources Now and into the Future



### 1. Practice Conservation

One of the best ways to ensure sustainable water resources for the future is to practice conservation and smart water use practices today.

## 2. Support Watersheds

Watershed health is essential to protecting water supply. Most water infrastructure spending focuses on built infrastructure, but investment in watershed conservation is essential to ensure water security.

# 3. Ensure Quality

From source to faucet to waste, maintaining water quality requires an intersectional approach.

Contaminants can enter waterways from runoff, groundwater pollutian, and older infrastructure.

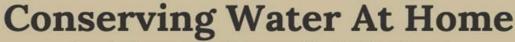
## 4. Grow Green Infrastructure

Green infrastructure is an important part of how drinking, wastewater, stormwater agencies can provide innovative, effective, affordable water services.



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10 ways to reduce your consumption, lower your bills, and help the envitonment

#### **Upgrade Your Appilances**







#### Turn Off The Tap



For every minute that a faucet runs two gallons of water are used.

#### Water Your Lawn Right



Water during sunrise or sunset to avoid losing water to evaporation.

#### **Cut Your Grass Effectively**

Keep your grass height at 2 inches to give it shade and help it retain mouisture.



#### Use Grey Water



Grey water is relatively clean, used water from your bathroom sinks, showers, washing machine, & other appliances. It can be reused to water plants and gardens.

### Use your dishwasher wisely

New dishwasher models use less water than hand washing and clean more throughly let you skip a pre-wash!



Garage disposals use a Compost lot of water and they also add a considerable amount of solids to your septic tank. Compost instead!

#### Check For Leaks



A faucet leaking at one drip per second can waste 3,000 gallons a year

Take Shorter Showers

#### Reuse and Re-wear

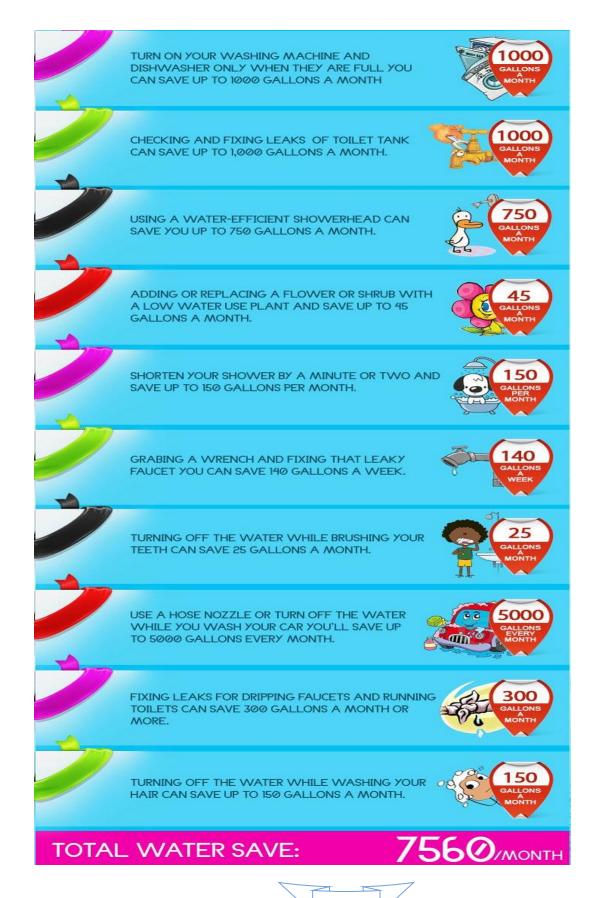
Save water on laundry loads by re-wearing lightly worn clothes





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