# **City of Santa Barbara**

#### Rebates



- Smart Landscape Rebate Program
   Rebate on 50% of the cost of water wise plants,
   irrigation equipment, smart irrigation controllers, laundry
   to landscape graywater systems, and mulch. Up to \$1,000
   for single family homes and up to \$2,000 per account
   serving irrigated area (\$4,000 per site) for commercial,
   multi-family, and HOAs. Projects must be approved in
   advance.
- Residential Rebates
   High Efficiency Washing Machines \$150
   (Check for qualifying models before purchasing.)
- Business Rebates
   Your business may be eligible for a free full-site water use survey and monetary incentives to make recommended efficiency upgrades. Call the water conservation program for more information.

### Free Water Check-ups

- Water Check-up for Homes
   City staff will evaluate your indoor and outdoor water use and provide recommendations on water conservation.
   We will also show you how to read your meter and check for leaks.
- Water Check-up for Businesses
   City staff will come to your business to evaluate indoor and outdoor usage and provide recommendations on efficient commercial water use. Free hotel cards and table cards available for restaurant and lodging businesses.
- Irrigation Water Check-up
   City staff will check efficiency of the irrigation system, develop an irrigation schedule and provide you with information on landscaping and irrigation technology.

   Free rain sensors are available for qualifying properties.
- Large Landscape Irrigation Evaluation
   Free for agricultural and large turf landscapes. Provided by Cachuma Resource Conservation District.

#### Landscaping Resources

- Virtual Garden Tours & Plant Search
   Easily search for over 1,000 water wise plant
   choices appropriate for our local climate.
   Photos of local gardens featured in
   garden tours and garden galleries.
   Link available on website,
   CD available on request.
- Watering Calculator
   and Watering Index
   Determine how much and
   how often to water your
   garden, and easily change
   your watering schedule as the
   weather changes. Links available on website.
- CA Landscape Budgets Program
   Easily track irrigation water use with an online profile for your property. Includes free irrigation performance reports; access at landscapebudgets.com.
- Green Gardener
   Hire or become a Green Gardener. Training includes resource efficient and pollution prevention landscape maintenance practices. For more information, visit greengardener.org.
- Graywater
   The City provides outreach materials on the use of graywater with handouts, fact sheets, sample plan sheet, and information on the City's website. Instructional DVD available on request.

#### Resources & Ideas

- Lending library at Public Works Counter at 630 Garden Street and Central Library
- Videos and brochures available on website
- Helpful ideas on gardening, choosing appliances, graywater, and home water conservation on website







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## Water Efficient Devices

# Indoor

## Fixtures and Appliances



- High Efficiency Toilets
   High efficiency toilets use 1.28
   gallons per flush (gpf) or less. A high efficiency toilet will, on average, save 38 gallons per day when replacing a toilet 3.0 gpf or higher and 7 gallons per day when replacing a ultra low flow toilet (1.6 gpf).
- High Efficiency Urinals
   High efficiency urinals use just 0.5
   gallons per flush or less. Some use as little as 1 pint per flush.
- Waterless Urinals
   A waterless urinal can save up to 45,000 gallons of water per year.
- High Efficiency Clothes Washers
   A high efficiency clothes washer uses 20 gallons per load, which is approximately 50% less than a conventional clothes washer.
   In addition, a high efficiency washer will use nearly 50% less energy per load.

## Landscape Irrigation efficiency

Smart Irrigation Controllers

Smart irrigation controllers work on a simple principle: provide the appropriate watering schedule, adjust for weather changes, and irrigate based on the needs of your landscape.



Rain Shut-Off Sensors

A rain shut-off sensor automatically stops a sprinkler timer from watering during and immediately after a rain event. Rain shut-off sensors work best for short off periods. For extended periods, turn sprinkler timer to "Off" position.

Rotating Nozzles

These multi-trajectory nozzles for pop-up spray heads apply water more slowly and uniformly than conventional nozzles. This results in more precise watering while decreasing water usage by about 20%.



