

## Household Tips for Saving Water Every Day

You pay for every drop of water you use, so why waste it? There are many places around your home that are potential water loss points:

- A dripping faucet can waste from 3 - 10 gallons of water a day.
- A toilet leak could waste up to 200 gallons a day!

In addition to inspecting your faucets, toilets and water-using appliances for leaks and selecting more water-efficient appliances, here are some other ways to save water:

### In the house:

- Water plants from your freshwater fish tank.
- Insulate hot water pipes.
- Run full loads of laundry (or dishes) or use the correct load size setting.

- Keep a water pitcher in the fridge
- Wash vegetables in a pan or stoppered sink

### In the yard:

- Wash your car on the lawn.
- Only water your lawn when it needs it with only one inch watering.
- Keep water on the lawn and off the pavement.
- Water deeply in the morning or late evening in low wind.
- mulch around trees and plants
- sweep, don't hose, sidewalks and driveways.

In the bathroom - where 2/3 of a household's water is used:

- Don't use the toilet as a trash can!
- Use a few drops of food coloring in the tank to check toilets for leaks.
- Make a low-flow toilet by placing a weighted 1-liter plastic bottle in the tank.

- Don't run the faucet while you brush your teeth, wash your hands or shave.

*Information provided by the Stormwater Coalition, a committee of the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG).*

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS REGARDING METER READINGS**



Just a reminder... the water department reads meters every other month.

You will continue to receive a water bill monthly however your consumption will be estimated for the alternate months.

If you have any questions please contact the Utility Billing Department at 419-878-8101