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LEAKY PIPES?

The average household's leaks can account for nearly 10,000 gallons of water wasted every year and ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day.* While some leaks require a simple fix—a worn toilet flapper, loose pipe connection, or showerhead with stray spray, others may need the help of a licensed plumber, like a running toilet, broken sprinklers, water heater, or malfunctioning service lines. As a consumer, it's important to be aware of the many places a leak can occur.

FIND YOUR LEAKS

- Check your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter changes at all, you probably have a leak.
- Identify toilet leaks by placing a drop of food coloring in the toilet tank. If any color shows up in the bowl after 10 minutes, you have a leak
- If you have an in-ground irrigation system, check it each spring before use to make sure it wasn't damaged by frost or freezing.
- Check washers and gaskets on both faucets and toilets as well as toilet flappers.

RESOURCES

- waterisawesome.com
- smarteraboutwater.org
- watermyyard.org
- twdb.texas.gov
- wateriq.org
- water.usgs.gov

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

2023 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER REPORT

The CCR is now available at <http://caddobasin.com/ccr1>, or scan this QR code. If you need a hard copy, please call our office.



HELP CONSERVE

Fixing household leaks can save homeowners up to 10 percent on their water bills.

A showerhead leaking at 10 drips per minute wastes more than 500 gallons per year. That's the amount of water it takes to wash 60 loads of dishes in your dishwasher.

A leaky faucet that drips at the rate of one drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons per year. That's the amount of water needed to take more than 180 showers!

An irrigation system that has a leak 1/32nd of an inch in diameter (about the thickness of a dime) can waste about 6,300 gallons of water per month.

Toilets can silently waste up to 200 gallons per day, per toilet, so if you find a leak and can't fix it yourself, reach out to a plumber to save yourself a spike in water costs.

(Information sourced from www.epa.gov)

HELP WANTED

Applications can be picked up at our office or on our website.

NOW HIRING:

- Equipment Operators
- Crew Leaders
- Labors
- Water Technicians

REMEMBER: SIGN UP FOR E-BILLS AND RECEIVE YOUR STATEMENT UP TO A WEEK EARLY!

*<https://www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week>

