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*Lethbridge*

## WATER SAVING TIPS.

# BEING WATER SMART SAVES MONEY!

### Start taking shorter showers.



Saving water can be as easy as changing your habits. Start taking shorter showers. Cutting your shower by 1 to 2 minutes can save 2,600 liters (700 gal) of water each month.

### Plant drought-resistant trees and plants.



Plant drought-resistant trees and plants. Many native plants can survive on rainwater alone. Ask at your local garden center for information or Look for the plants with the low water use sticker.

### Be a leak detector!



Be a leak detector. Check all your taps and pipes for leaks. If you find a leak, fix it immediately. Leaks can waste 14% of all the water that we use in our homes.

### Sprinklers are water ineffective.



Rethink your irrigation system. Sprinklers are water inefficient. Install drip or root irrigation for deep watering. This brings water down to the roots where the plants need it.

### Check your toilets for leaks.



Put a little food coloring in your toilet tank. If it appears in the bowl without flushing then you have a leak which should be repaired immediately. Leaks can waste 14% of all the water that we use in our homes.

### Encourage deep roots.



If you do water trees, this should be done slowly, deeply and infrequently. This encourages deep roots, making your tree healthier and helps save water. Every drop counts!

### Keep drinking water in fridge.



Keep a container of drinking water in the refrigerator. Running the tap to cool water for drinking loses 12 liters a minute.

### Report leaks in fire hydrants.



Report leaks in fire hydrants, water mains or plumbing in public facilities

### Make every flush count.



The toilet is the biggest water user in the house. Make every flush count!

### Save while brushing.



Turn off the water while brushing your teeth. Before brushing, wet your brush and fill a tumbler to rinse your mouth. Doing this can save 12 liters of water a minute.



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