



## INDOOR TIPS

- Check your toilet for leaks.** Put a few drops of food coloring in the tank. If it appears in the bowl without flushing, you have a leak that needs repair.
- Replace older toilets with WaterSense® labeled high-efficiency models** that use only 1.6 gallons per flush or consider installing a dual flush model that can use even less.
- Take shorter showers—try for less than 5 minutes.** If you take a bath, fill the tub half full.
- Install water-saving aerators** on your bathroom faucets and **water-saving showerheads** that use 2.5 gallons per minute or less.
- Turn off the water** while shaving, brushing your teeth, lathering in the shower, and shampooing or conditioning your hair.
- Fix leaky or dripping faucets promptly.** Plumbing leaks account for approximately 14 percent of water consumed in the home.
- Run your dishwasher and clothes washer with only full loads.** Scrape food from plates instead of rinsing them before washing.
- Chill drinking water in the refrigerator** instead of running the faucet to cool water.
- Replace your clothes washer** with a water-saving model.

Call 559-846-9372 or visit [www.cityofkerman.net](http://www.cityofkerman.net) for more information and water saving tips.

## OUTDOOR TIPS

- Choose drought-tolerant plants when landscaping,** and group plants with similar water needs together (hydrozoning). Add **compost or mulch** around trees and plants.
- Thoroughly check your irrigation system** each spring when you first turn it on and repair any leaks as soon as possible.
- Clean your driveway or sidewalk with a broom, not a hose.**
- Water your lawn only on your assigned day** and adjust sprinklers so that only your lawn is being watered.
- Install a rain barrel or rainwater harvesting system** to capture rainwater from your roof for use on your landscape.

