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Marietta Water Offers Incentives for Updating Toilets through Rebate Program

While there are a number of ways to help conserve water indoors, making sure your toilet is water efficient is one of the most

important measures you can take in reducing water usage. It may be a bit surprising to learn that the toilet is actually the biggest water user in the home and accounts for more than 45 percent of indoor water use.

In an effort to promote conservation, Marietta Water is offering a toilet rebate program as an incentive for customers in homes built prior to 1993 to retrofit older high-flow toilets with new low-flow technology.

The program offers two rebate options for qualifying toilets. An approved list is available on mariettawater.com. The first option is a \$50 rebate for the purchase of a 1.6 gallons per flush toilet. The second program option is a \$100 rebate for high efficiency toilets that use 1.28 gallons per flush.

Marietta Water customers can receive the rebate by submitting the original receipt for an approved toilet along with an application to the Marietta Water marketing office. Program funds have been capped and rebates will be made on a first-come, first-served basis depending on the availability of funds.

For more information, call Marietta Water at (770) 794-5102. ⚡



Boost Your Water Saving Efforts with a Free Water Conservation Kit

Marietta Water residential customers are being offered a free helping hand with their water saving efforts. Marietta Water is offering at no charge a water conservation kit designed to help save considerable amounts of water and money.

Easy to use, each kit contains one low-flow showerhead, two sink faucet aerators, two leak detection tablets, and one flow meter bag, used for determining the current amount of water your shower or aerators use.

No need to worry - you'll still enjoy your showers with the low-flow showerhead. And you'll hardly notice the reduced water flow once you install the sink faucet aerators. Where you may notice a big difference is

with your toilet. You could be leaking as much as 100 gallons a day without even being aware of the problem. By placing a leak detection tablet in the bowl, you'll know within 15 minutes if you have a leak.

You can request your kit by e-mailing waterconservation@mariettaga.gov or call Kim Holland at Marietta Water at (770) 794-5227. ⚡



Make Water-Saving Habits a Part of Your Morning Routine

Morning routines are all about maximizing efficiencies no matter where your day takes you. The same principle also applies to conserving water and combining the two doesn't require a lot of effort. So while you're getting ready for work or getting the kids ready for their summer activities, make water-saving habits a part of your start to the day.

Here are a few water-saving habits that can become a part of your morning routine:

Save 15 gallons

Fill the bathtub only half way.

Save 10 gallons

Take a shorter shower; cutting your time by 2 minutes.

Save 6 gallons

By not rinsing the breakfast dishes before putting them in the dishwasher.

Save 4 gallons

Turning off the water when shaving or washing your face.

Save 3 gallons

By not using the toilet as a trash can.

See what a difference these few habits can make in your monthly bill!

For more tips on conserving water throughout the day please visit:

www.mariettawater.com. ⚡

Georgia Sales Tax Holiday Offers Opportunity to Save Money on Back-to-School Needs

Thinking of getting a new computer for the upcoming new school year? Save money on computers, clothes, and other back-to-school needs during the Georgia Sales Tax Holiday going on July 31 – August 3, 2008. For more information, contact the Georgia Department of Revenue by phone at (404) 417-6601 or via e-mail at salestaxholiday@gatax.org. ⚡



Calendar of Events

Friday, July 4

Fourth in the Park

10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Glover Park in Marietta Square

Celebrate July 4 with the City of Marietta! Festivities kick off with the Marietta Freedom Parade at 10 a.m. followed by the Fourth in the Park in the Marietta Square. Games, food, entertainment, arts and crafts will fill the Square.

Friday, July 25

Glover Park Concert Series

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Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band

8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Glover Park in Marietta Square

The Glover Park Concert Series is "the" place to be in Marietta the last Friday evening of each month April through August. Concerts are rain or shine.

Saturday, July 26

Christmas in July

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Glover Park in Marietta Square

Christmas in July Schedule

9 a.m. to noon: Marietta Square Farmers Market

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.: "Fill the Fur Bus" – donations to Cobb Christmas

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Entertainment provided by a DJ

11 a.m.: Historic Marietta Trolley Tour

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.: Readings from Elf on the Shelf (on the half hour)

Noon: Santa Arrives in Vintage Fire Truck

Noon to 3 p.m.: Photos with Santa

Noon to 3 p.m.: Visit the Children's Craft Area

12:30 and 2 p.m.: Historic Marietta Trolley Tour

2 to 4 p.m.: Pebblebrook High School for the Performing Arts Jazz Band

Marietta Power & Water will be closed on Friday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

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