



Celebrating Small Town Life

APRIL IS WATER CONSERVATION MONTH

Water is essential for every living creature. As we understand its importance in our lives, it is vital that every business, industry, school and citizen make a difference when it comes to conserving water.

The City of St. Cloud, along with other organizations like the SFWMD and the State of Florida, is proclaiming April 2010 as Water Conservation Month.

April is historically one of the driest months of the year, and each business, industry, school and citizen can help save water. We encourage everyone to join the City of St. Cloud and do your part to conserve water.

The City of St. Cloud is proud to announce that they have partnered with the Environmental Protection Agency in their WaterSense program.

WaterSense is a partnership program sponsored by EPA to promote water-efficient products and practices across the country. The WaterSense label makes it easy to find products and services that save water while ensuring performance.

Visit www.epa.gov/watersense to learn more about this program or how to save water and money.



WATER CONSERVATION IDEAS

- Do not leave hoses unattended. More than 600 gallons of water can flow from an open garden hose in one hour.
- Consider using a commercial car wash that recycles water. If you wash your own car, park on the grass or other non-paved surface and use a hose with an automatic or self-cancelling nozzle.
- Repair dripping faucets by replacing the washers inside.
- Turn off the faucet after wetting a toothbrush, razor or washcloth. Turn the faucet back on when you are ready to rinse.
- Store drinking water in the refrigerator, and heat water on the stove or in the microwave. Don't let water run from the tap to get cold or hot water.
- Attend a **FREE** homeowner irrigation seminar and learn how you can save water! For details call **407.957.7344**.
- For more ideas, visit the Environmental Utilities Department web page at **www.stcloud.org**.



WaterSense labeled products use about 20 percent less water and perform as well as or better than conventional models. Look for the WaterSense label on products and know that you'll be saving water and saving on your utility bill.

If you hire an irrigation professional, look for a WaterSense partner who has been certified through a program that highlights water efficient techniques.

Want to "Test Your WaterSense" and learn about water use in your home? Visit www.epa.gov/watersense/test_your_watersense.html.