



## *Water Conservation Project Ideas* High-Efficiency Toilets

*Stop flushing money down the toilet...replace older model toilets with Watersense certified toilets to conserve water and save dollars.*

### ***What is a high-efficiency toilet?***

High-efficiency toilets (also called low-flow or low-flush) are the latest generation of toilets. WaterSense certified toilets use 1.28 gallons per flush, which is about 20% of the water needed to flush older toilets. WaterSense labeled products are backed by independent third-party certification and meet the EPA's specifications for water efficiency and performance. These products can be found at local hardware stores as well as home improvement stores like Home Depot and Lowes.

### ***Why should I replace my toilet?***

Toilets account for far more water usage than any other water-consuming product in your home. If you still have an old toilet that uses 6 gallons per flush, you're not only wasting water but also flushing money down the drain—up to \$110 a year, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Replacing 3.5-gallon toilets with WaterSense labeled toilets can save a household 12,000 gallons of water each year. An average family of four uses 881 gallons of water per week just by flushing the toilet. Saving water not only saves homeowners money, it decreases demands on the Town's single water source.

### ***Want more information?***

Whether remodeling a bathroom, starting construction of a new home, or simply replacing an old leaky toilet, installing a WaterSense labeled toilet is a high-performance, water-efficient option worth considering. WaterSense labeled toilets are available at a wide variety of price points and a broad range of styles.

<https://www.epa.gov/watersense/residential-toilets>