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## Got a Leak? Cascade Water Alliance Can Help You Save Money and Water

The average American home can waste more than 10,000 gallons of water every year due to running toilets, dripping faucets, and other household leaks, which can significantly waste water and raise a homeowner's water and wastewater bills. One of the most common types of leaks, a leaking toilet, can waste up to 200 gallons of water a day. This is a type of leak that can usually be easily fixed, and finding the leak is the first step in fixing the problem. As part of Fix A Leak Week, March 14 – 20, Cascade Water Alliance will send Toilet Leak Detection mailers to over 100,000 homes in its service area throughout the Eastside and South King County.

The Toilet Leak Detection mailers include dye strips and simple instructions to check the toilet for leaks. Information on repairing a leaking toilet and other conservation programs can be found at <u>www.cascadewater.org</u>.

A robust conservation program is a major component of Cascade's long range water supply management strategy. Since 2004, Cascade Water Alliance has offered conservation programs to help people reduce their water use and save money. Cascade provides rebates to customers who install WaterSense toilets and clothes washers as well as rain shut-off devices for irrigation systems. Cascade also provides irrigation system audits, efficient showerhead and aerator installations at apartment complexes, and upgrades to dishwashers and other fixtures at restaurants.

Cascade Water Alliance is a non-profit corporation comprised of eight municipalities and water districts that joined together in 1999 to provide water supply for current and future needs. It includes the cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland, Redmond and Tukwila and the Covington Water District, the Skyway Water and Sewer District and the Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District. The agency currently serves 400,000 residents and 22,000 businesses. For more information visit www.cascadewater.org