

RESOLVE TO SAVE WATER IN 2023

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Have you made a resolution this year to eat healthier, get more exercise, or set other self-improvement goals for 2023? Why not consider resolving to save water—and money on your monthly water bills—by enrolling in the Southern Nevada Water Authority’s (SNWA) Water Smart Landscapes Rebate Program (WSL)?

Through WSL, you can earn a cash incentive of up to \$3 per square foot of grass you upgrade with water-efficient, drip-irrigated landscaping. Not only will WSL help you lower your monthly water bills, but you’ll be doing your part to help the community save water—especially as federally declared water shortage reduces the amount of water we can withdraw from Lake Mead, the source of 90 percent of our supply, by about 8 billion gallons this year.

Visit snwa.com for a trove of information to help you learn more about WSL, including:

- **Plant Search Finder:** Search for water-efficient, desert-adapted plants and trees that can enhance your landscaping.
- **Water Smart Contractors:** These contractors are trained in water-saving irrigation and can help develop designs and plans that fit your landscaping needs.
- **Sample Landscape Designs:** Whether you hire a Water Smart Contractor or choose to dig in and do the work yourself, these design templates can help you choose the right plants and trees for your new landscape.
- **Water Smart Landscape classes:** Learn about landscape design, plants and the key components to have a successful landscape. Basics of Water Smart Landscape classes are held online only; in-person Drip Irrigation classes are held Saturdays at the Springs Preserve. Visit snwa.com for class schedules.

Water Smart Landscapes also can be vibrant, lush, and full of color, and provide more curb appeal and visual interest than a grass lawn. Check out the Botanical Garden at the Springs Preserve for inspiration.

While its impact on the drought is negligible, the recent rainy weather—coupled with our current cooler winter temperatures—provides an opportunity for residents and businesses in Southern Nevada to scale back on their landscape irrigation, thus helping us offset shortage conditions on the Colorado River, which have reduced the amount of water we can draw from Lake Mead—the source of 90 percent of our community's supply—by about 8 billion gallons in 2023.

Saving water is as important in the new year as it ever has been. By resolving to convert your thirsty grass to a vibrant and colorful water-efficient landscape through the WSL program, you can help the community conserve our most precious resource, and you can save time, money and water. For more information or to enroll in WSL, visit snwa.com.