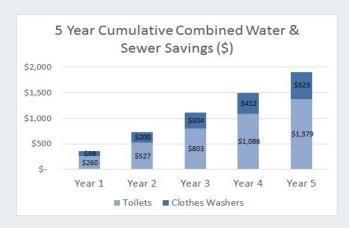
## **Additional Water Saving Tips**

- Fix a running toilet. A running toilet can cause consumption to spike, which increases your bill.
- Scrape dirty dishes clean instead of rinsing them before loading them into the dishwasher.
- Wipe recyclable materials clean instead of rinsing whenever possible
- Never run the dishwasher or the clothes washer without a full load. This will save water, energy, and detergent.
- Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth and shaving.





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# WATER CONSERVATION REBATE PROGRAM

-High Efficiency Toilets-High Efficiency Washers\$200 per eligible unit



Save Water and Money just by replacing your old inefficient toilet and/or washing machine with a high efficiency model.



### Why Replace a Toilet?

Toilets are by far the main source of water use in the home, accounting for nearly 30 percent of an average home's indoor water consumption. Older, inefficient toilets that use as much as 6 gallons per flush also happen to be a major source of wasted water in many homes.

Recent advancements have allowed toilets to use 1.28 gallons per flush or less while still providing equal or superior performance.

By replacing old, inefficient toilets with WaterSense labeled models, the average family can reduce water used for toilets by 20 to 60 percent—that's nearly 13,000 gallons of water savings for your home every year!

# Why Replace a Clothes Washer?

Washing laundry is a large water user in the average home; accounting for 15% to 40% of the overall water consumption inside the typical household of four persons.

HE or high efficiency washers that are Energy Star rated have been on the market for more than a decade but have become even more popular as consumers are drawn to their water and energy saving capabilities. These washers use 20 to 66 percent less water than traditional agitator washers. Less water means less water to heat and energy use can be 20 to 50 percent less offering long-term savings and environmental benefits. A typical family of four using a standard sized clothes washer will generate more than 300 loads per year. This equates to a regular washer consuming approximately 12,000 gallons of water

annually. High-Efficiency Washers (HEW) significantly reduce this water use by more than 6,000 gallons per year, save energy, clean the clothes better, use less detergent and reduce fabric wear.



# How to Get a \$200 Rebate

To qualify for the \$200 rebate, the equipment must be installed in a residential property in the Town of Medway, MA with an active Medway water or sewer account in good standing. Rebates must be requested within 90 days of installation and the toilet and/or clothes washer must be installed in a residential property in Medway. Old equipment may NOT be reused. Toilets can be put out with your trash for free (one bulk trash item per week for free). Toilet rebates are issued as a one-time only per owner per household per bathroom and must be for the replacement of a low efficiency model (3.5 gallons or higher per flush) for a high efficiency model WaterSense labeled 1.28 gal or less per flush.

Clothes washer rebates are issued as a onetime only per owner per household/address and must be for replacement of a low efficiency model with a high efficiency model. Exclusions: Properties with a private well AND septic system and not serviced by the Town's water or sewer utilities are NOT eligible.

Dwellings with more than six residential units are NOT eligible. Larger complexes may qualify for other incentives at the discretion of the Medway Department of Public Works. Please contact the Medway DPW for a consultation in advance of any work.

Toilets or washing machines installed in new construction projects or room additions are NOT eligible for a rebate.

All rebate applications must include a proof of purchase and picture of each of the old and new appliances. Proof required is a copy of a dated sales receipt and tag with make and model number. Massachusetts plumbing code states that a plumbing permit is required to replace a toilet. The code also states that only a licensed plumber can replace a toilet. Toilet applications require a copy of the final signed plumbing permit in addition to the requirements listed above. Please refer to the Building Department "Gas & Plumbing Fee Schedule" for the cost of a plumbing permits.

Rebate processing will take 3-4 weeks from the receipt of a completed application. Approved rebates will appear as a credit to the water/sewer/trash account. The rebate program is on a first-come first-serve basis and will remain effective while the program is funded. Please call the DPW Office for program status prior to purchase.

## Online Application Form

Rebate applications can be filled out online at our website www.townofmedway.org

On the home page hover over Departments, drop down to Department of Public Works, click on Electronic Forms, then choose the Water Conservation Rebate Application.

Please contact us at the DPW Office with any questions at (508) 533-3275.