When we turn the faucet on, water comes out; when we turn our shower on, we get wet; when we turn the sprinklers on, the lawn gets watered. While it may *seem* like there's no shortage of clean water to those of us who have it, just ask those who don't. While we can't make it rain, there are some simple things we can do at home to help conserve water...

Below are two examples of meters that are currently installed in 85% of the homes in the Village. Like the odometer on your car, the numbers on the register roll over from right to left as more water passes through the meter. (Ex - the meter on the left is reading 1 gallon and the meter on the right is reading 776,531 gallons)



Leak indicator

Leak indicator

By checking your home's water meter you can look for leaks or wasted water in three easy steps.

**Step 1:** Turn off all faucets and water-using appliances, then read your meter (meters are found in the basement, crawl space, or near other utilities in your home).

**Step 2:** Make sure no one uses water for at least 45 minutes, then take a second reading.

**Step 3:** If the any of the dials have moved, you may have a leak in a toilet, faucet or water pipe.

\* The dial shown as the leak indicator will turn with very small amounts of water moving through the meter - Even if the numerals don't move, it can tell you if you have a leak.