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“FIX A LEAK WEEK” PROMOTES AWARENESS OF WATER LOSS

Tucson Water and utilities across Arizona and the nation are promoting “Fix a Leak Week,” March 18 through March 24, 2013, as a time to bring attention to the amount of water lost through minor household leaks. Water loss through leaks exceeds one trillion gallons annually in America.

Tucson Water’s “Fix a Leak Week” web page at tucsonaz.gov/water/fix-leak-week offers the “Homeowners’ Guide to Using Water Wisely” booklet free by mail and downloadable learning activities for children. The page also has links to online tools for measuring home water use and calculating the impact of drips and leaks, and to videos on making simple household repairs, thanks to the Scottsdale Water Resources Department.

Mayor Jonathan Rothschild will issued a proclamation at the March 19 meeting of the Mayor and Council that encourages residents and businesses to be water wise and monitor for possible water waste.

“Due to the conservation rate structure used by Tucson Water, the water billing portion of a customer’s utility statement will rise dramatically when a leaking toilet flapper or faucets is left unchecked for a period of time,” said Fernando Molina, Tucson Water Public Information Officer. “While we offer some resources, customers should consult experts at local plumbing supply and home improvement stores for guidance on repairs and the right tools for the job.”

Tucson Water also offers its materials free by mail to customers without internet access. Call the Public Information and Conservation Office at (520) 791-4331.

WaterSense officially launched “Fix a Leak Week” four years ago with the Arizona Department of Water Resources. With each year, more utilities and governments participate to help encourage residential water efficiency.

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