



CITY OF BALDWIN PARK

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Baldwin Park launches no-cost toilet and shower-head replacement program

BALDWIN PARK, CA - One of the most effective ways to save water in a home is by installing high-efficiency toilets and shower-heads. The City of Baldwin Park this month launched a new program that provides eligible Baldwin Park residents with installation of up to two high-efficiency toilets and shower-heads at no cost. The high-efficiency toilets use 0.8 gallons per flush and the high-efficiency shower-heads use 1.5 gallons per minute.

“Baldwin Park is committed to making every effort to become a greener city,” said Baldwin Park Mayor Emmanuel J. Estrada. “This initiative to replace inefficient toilets and shower-heads is just the latest in a series of important steps toward doing more to enhance our natural and built environments. This project aims to protect our vital resources while simultaneously helping our residents save on costs of living.”

The city has committed \$600,000, making this one of the largest investments that focuses on climate resiliency and resident aid. The project is funded with American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funds. The funds come with unique caveats that allow the city to invest in private water infrastructure. The city of Baldwin Park has also funded a \$1 million dollar project to connect homes that rely on environmentally detrimental septic tanks to the city’s sewer system.

The toilet replacement program will be a collaboration amongst the City of Baldwin Park, Valley County Water District (VCWD) and Metropolitan Water District (MWD). The water entities will provide an accumulative maximum of \$110,000 in rebates to offset the costs of the project. Also, Upper San Gabriel Valley Water District will provide a sewer conservation kit that is filled with a variety water conservation and leak detection items.

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. The city sits above the Main San Gabriel Groundwater Basin which is the main source of water for the majority of residents. This underground aquifer is like a large pool of water, which gets replenished from local rainfall and water imported from northern California and the Colorado River when available. The Main San Gabriel Basin is located in eastern Los Angeles County and includes the water-bearing sediments underlying most of the San Gabriel Valley and includes a portion of the upper Santa Ana Valley that lies in Los Angeles County.

Community members interested in participating in the program must be a resident of the City of Baldwin Park or own a property in the city and have an active resident water account.

Before applying, interested residents should review the program terms and conditions. Once reviewed, submitting an application starts with an online application at BaldwinPark.com/Save-Water. Funds are limited, so residents should apply now to take advantage of this program while funding lasts.

Any questions about the program can be directed to the City of Baldwin Park Public Works Department, which is administering this program. To reach the Department, call (626) 960-4011, ext. 486 or email publicworksdept@baldwinpark.com.

About the City of Baldwin Park

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. As the hub of the San Gabriel Valley, Baldwin Park is known for its ease of access and mobility, young and diverse residents, and vibrant, growing business community. For more information, visit baldwinpark.com or follow Baldwin Park on Facebook (@BaldwinParkCAGov), Instagram (BaldwinPark_CAGov), and Twitter (BaldwinParkCA_)

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