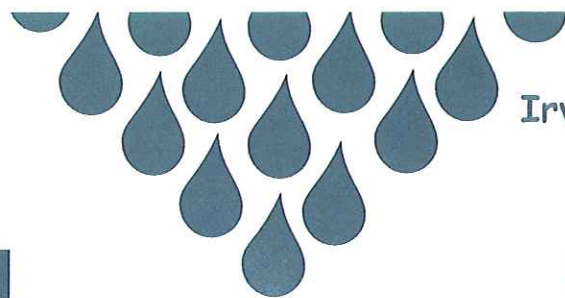




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## **Up to \$430 High Efficiency Toilet Rebate Now Available**

Irvine Ranch Water District residential customers may now qualify to receive up to a \$430 rebate per eligible High Efficiency Toilet (HET) purchased to replace existing “water-guzzling” toilets installed prior to 1992. There is a limit of three rebates per residence, while funding lasts.

The hefty rebate is being offered to encourage residents to upgrade to the latest, most efficient toilet technology. HETs can cut water use to 1.28 gallons-per-flush, perform better, and are more durable and reliable than traditional ball and flapper models.

Most HETs utilize either pressure-assisted flushing or dual-flush technology to achieve greater water savings. Pressure-assisted toilets use compressed air to push water from the tank to the bowl. Dual-flush toilets, popular in Europe and Australia, have buttons or levers that allow the user to choose a long or a short flush. Both HET technologies use less water than traditional or less-efficient gravity-fed models, which rapidly release a volume of water from the tank to the bowl to create a siphon for removal.

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## IRWD High Efficiency Toilet Rebates

Dual-flush toilets cost about \$200 and pressure-assisted models range from \$200 to \$1000.

To take advantage of this rebate offer, Irvine Ranch Water District residential customers must purchase HETs from a list of qualifying toilet models. To view this list and print an HET rebate application visit <http://www.irwd.com/conservation> or call 949-453-5563 for further details.

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