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THE PHOENIX MAYOR'S SAVE WATER PLEDGE MAY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Check for leaks, turn off the sprinklers during the day, and use those WaterSense products, Phoenix, because it is finally time! The Phoenix Mayor's Save Water Pledge is **celebrating its 2nd birthday!**

Last month, we heard some testimonials from you all. Now is the time to look back on the past two years and think about **all you have achieved to save water in Phoenix**. You can also find out how you can win prizes with the Phoenix Library **Summer Reading Program**, check out **upcoming events**, and read the latest in water news in our new addition to the newsletter: ***The Monthly Drip***!

Need a birthday gift to give the Save Water Pledge? Catch up on the four Pledge items and learn more below.

1. **Keep Water in Mind.**
2. **Find and Fix Leaks.**
3. **Water With the Weather.**
4. **Choose EPA WaterSense Labeled Products.**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT THIS MONTH:



Happy Birthday, Save Water Pledge!

It's finally time to celebrate! **The Phoenix Mayor's Save Water Pledge is now two years old**, and we couldn't have reached this milestone without our incredible community of residents who care about conserving water. Last month, **we received water-wise feedback from our Pledge-takers** and asked to share a few to show just how much saving water means to Phoenix residents.

One Pledge-taker **shared what the Save Water Pledge means to them**: *"As a native Phoenician and new homeowner, I get to be a responsible steward of our water resources in my state. I took the pledge to discover more ways to save... and I look forward to seeing how much water I save, year over year".* **Thank you to all of you who shared** and we can't wait to start implementing your feedback to make the Pledge better and better each year.

Did your testimonial make it on our social media pages? **Follow @PHXwater on all social media to find out!** Thanks for being part of these first two years, and for helping to shape the next ones!

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[Testimonials](#) **10 clicks**



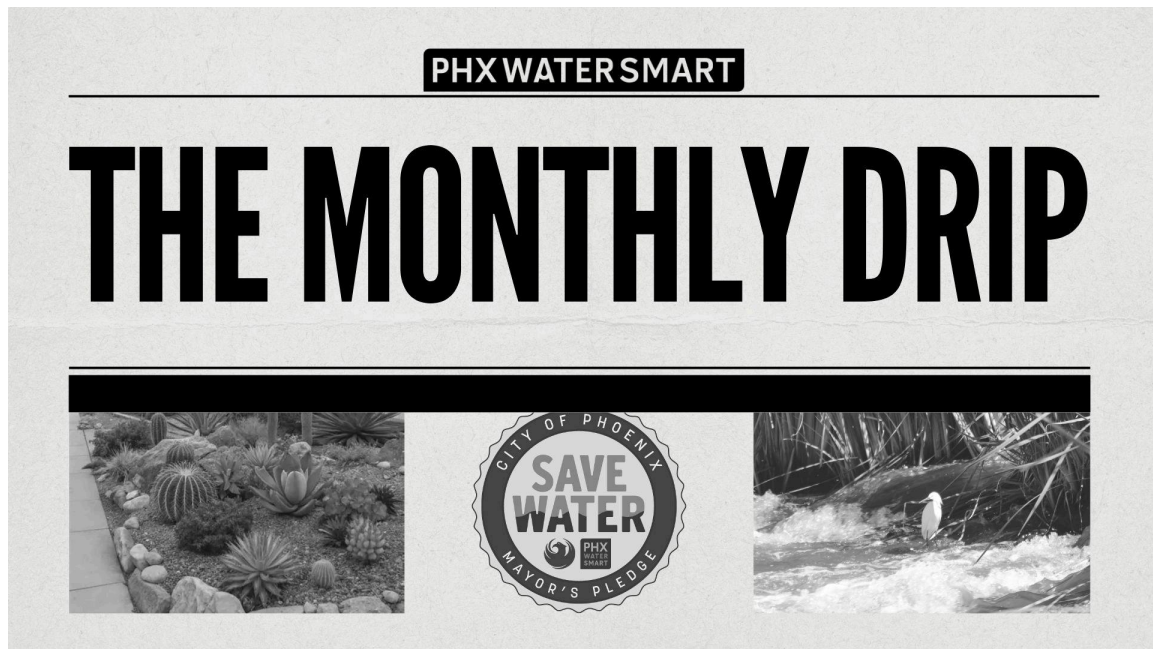
Summer Reading: All Ages Welcome!

Can you reach 1,000 points before July 20, 2026 ? Read, enter secret codes, attend library events, and complete challenges for a **chance to win some awesome prizes!** **8 clicks**

When you make it a habit to **regularly read and visit your local library** , you have the opportunity to be **more involved in your community and expand your knowledge** . Whether you are retaining knowledge over summer break, want to bond with your little ones by engaging with early literacy activities, or you simply want to challenge yourself with a little extra reading, **The Maricopa Summer Reading program is the perfect place to start!**

Phoenix Summer Reading

Events **12 clicks**



The Monthly Drip: Local Water News

What's happening in the world of water? Separated by topics, here are some of the most recent updates in water policy, drought, and conservation. Check out recent local and regional water news updates with links below.

Policy:

- **Arizona Department of Water Resources** : [Arizona, Lower Basin partners, commit to continuing efforts to find common ground on new Colorado River operations rules \[azwater.gov\]](#) **5 clicks**

Drought:

- **AMWUA** : [Lower Basin Plan May Buy Time Against Worsening Hydrology \[amwua.org\]](#) **2 clicks**
- **City of Phoenix Newsroom** : [Phoenix City Council Receives Update on Water Resources, Drought Preparedness and Long-Term Water Security](#) **5 clicks**
- **Bureau of Reclamation** : [Reclamation Acts to Protect Colorado River System During Historic Drought \[usbr.gov\]](#) **3 clicks**

Conservation:

- **Water - Use it Wisely** : [Customize Your Conservation — Get a Free Water-Saving Kit! - Water Use It Wisely \[wateruseitwisely.com\]](#) **4 clicks**

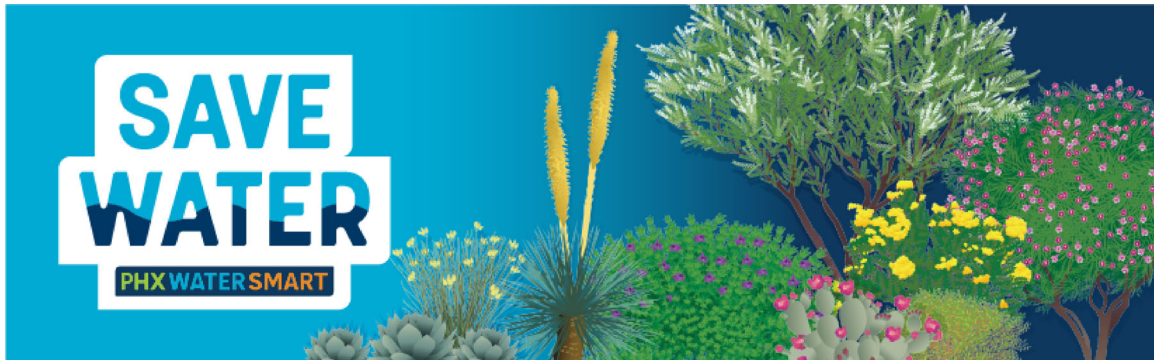


Upcoming Events

Summer in Phoenix means events are slowing down... but there are still ways to get involved with your community! Here are some more Phoenix events coming up soon:

- (Volunteer opportunity) [Community Cookout: The District 8 Way](#) **6 clicks**
(May 23)
- [602 Day](#) **8 clicks** (June 2)
- (Volunteer opportunity) [Father's Day Walk](#) **5 clicks** (June 6)
- [Various Upcoming AZ \(Land\) Events](#) **6 clicks**
- [Downtown Phoenix Farmer's Market](#) **6 clicks** (Saturdays)
- [Uptown Farmers Market](#) **7 clicks** (Saturdays & Wednesdays)

Stay cool this summer, Phoenix! Learn more about heat safety with the [City of Phoenix Heat Response and Mitigation](#) [5 clicks](#) Office.



Looking Back: Past Events and Accomplishments

Spring was a successful season for the Phoenix Water Conservation Office and partners! Since the New Year, we have seen:

- **300+** new Save Water Pledge-takers
- **27** [events](#) [9 clicks](#)
- **62** total hours volunteered
- **1200+** interactions with Phoenix Valley residents at events

We also want to give a special shout-out to the accomplishments of staff, volunteers, and students:

- Two [Water Wrangler volunteers](#) [10 clicks](#) have reach over **100 volunteer hours!** Thank you for your dedication and time, Water Wrangler Brice and Smith
- Water Wrangler volunteer Meyer **won a Phoenix Impact Volunteer Award** [5 clicks](#) for her dedication to water conservation in Phoenix
- Five ASU graduate students partners completed a very successful **capstone research project on drought messaging and risk communications**
- Water Resource Specialist Svec hosted an engaging **Conservation Education Alliance workshop** with Phoenix educators
- The Water Conservation Office's [Water Smart Teaching](#) [5 clicks](#) and [Residential Efficiency Consultation](#) [3 clicks](#) programs were nominated for an **AZ Forward Environmental Excellence Award**

And thank you to all of you for your dedication to water conservation in Phoenix and your hard work on saving water at home. Water conservation requires **collective action**, and without you, we would not have made these **sustainable strides together**.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FOUR PLEDGE ITEMS



The first Pledge item is to ***keep water in mind*** in our daily lives.

Whether in the midst of a refreshing pool day, while watering your plants, or during other daily habits, challenge yourself to be conscious of your water use. By keeping water in mind, we can ensure our water use stays efficient and responsible.

Already think you're a master water-saver? Put your knowledge to the test, and maybe you'll discover even more ways to save! The [100+ Ways to Conserve Water](#) **4 clicks** resources will be sure to help you keep water in mind.

Pledge Item
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The second Pledge item is to ***find and fix leaks***.

Leaks = higher water bills, especially in the summer. Remember: Your sight, hearing, and smell, plus [leak-detecting resources from our partner AMWUA](#) **2 clicks**, can help you find and fix leaks before they become a problem!

Consider signing up for a free Water Efficiency Consultation at your home from a Phoenix water professional. Visit our [Water Efficiency Consultation web page](#)

here **3 clicks** to learn more. Once you find those pesky outdoor leaks, consider an [WaterSense-certified irrigation professional](#) here **1 click** !

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The third Pledge item is to ***water with the weather***.

It's hot, hot, hot, and your plants are adapting to the weather! Help them be more resilient by watering during the cooler times in the day, such as early morning or night. **If it rains, skip your next watering day.** See our partner [Water—Use It Wisely's watering guide](#) here to learn more. **4 clicks**

Summer in Phoenix means appreciating your already-established plants over something new, so use this time to plan for the cooler months! Visit our desert landscaping webpage to get inspiration: [Desert Landscapes in Your Front Yard](#) **5 clicks** . You can also find desert-adapted/low-water-use plants at [our partner AMWUA's website](#) here. **6 clicks**

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The fourth Pledge item is to ***choose EPA WaterSense-labeled products***.

Did you know? **The City of Phoenix has FOUR incentive programs to help you save water AND money!** Visit the [Incentives page](#) **1 click** and learn about how you can upgrade your irrigation controller or toilet. Check out our Grass Removal Program, too!

Wondering which products to choose? Visit the [EPA WaterSense page](#) **1 click** and their [product page](#) **4 clicks**.

Looking to try out some products to help you save water right now? You can also get a **FREE Water-Wise Kit** [through our partners, Water--Use It Wisely and SRP](#) **4 clicks** ! Choose your local water provider or "Not Listed" when ordering your kit.

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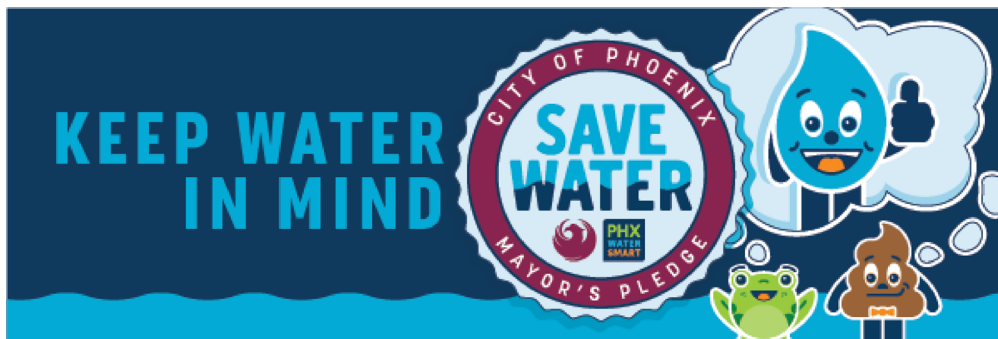
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YOUTH SAVE WATER PLEDGE

Kids can take the Save Water Pledge, too! Want to encourage your children or students to join fellow water-wise youths? Click each image below to learn more about the Youth Pledge!

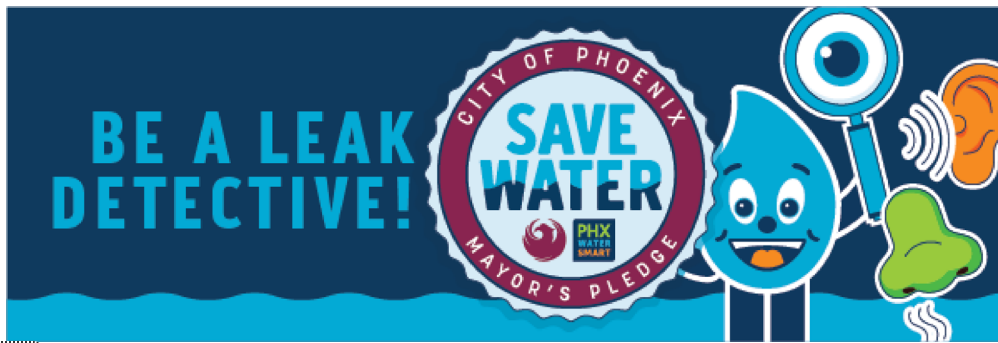
Take the youth pledge [here](#) **7 clicks** , or print a PDF copy [here](#) **2 clicks** . Kids can also visit the [Youth Water Scholars Center](#) **3 clicks** to brush up on their water resources and conservation knowledge.

Youth Pledge Item #1: Keep water in mind!



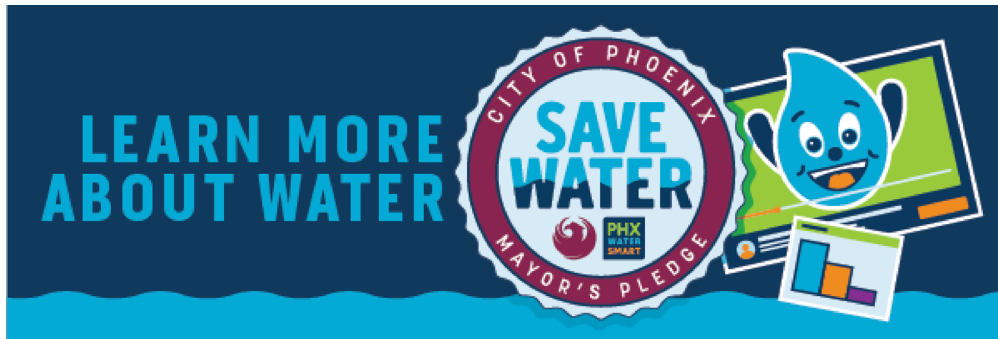
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Youth Pledge Item #2: Be a leak detective!



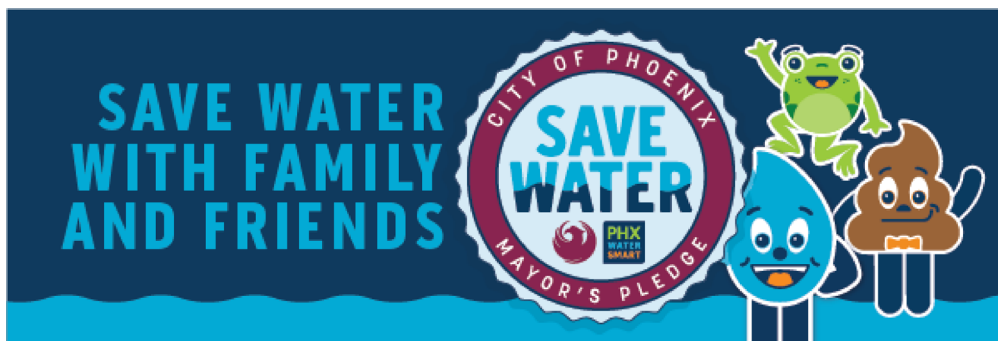
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Youth Pledge Item #3: Learn more about water!

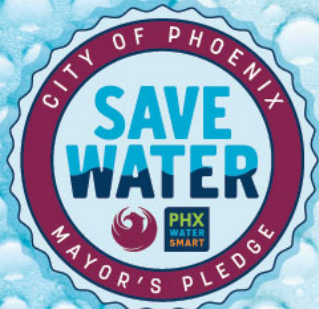


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Youth Pledge Item #4: Save water with family and friends!



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PARTICIPATING IN THE
PHOENIX MAYOR'S
SAVE WATER PLEDGE!**

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THANK YOU FROM PHOENIX MAYOR KATE GALLEGO

Thank you for joining me, Mayor Kate Gallego, in taking the Phoenix Save Water Pledge! In celebration of our first year, I'm pleased to announce that the Pledge will not only be renewed but will become a permanent campaign to embody our community's commitment to water stewardship and responsibility.

Whether you have been committed to the Phoenix Save Water Pledge since its launch or have just recently signed up, I encourage you to spread the word of its continuation, stay true to your commitments, and keep our momentum strong. Together, we will continue to make efficient and responsible water use a habit in our daily lives!

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

To learn more about the Pledge, visit phoenix.gov/SaveWaterPledge 3 clicks .
To learn more about water conservation, consider these options:

- Follow us on all social media (@phxwater) and share your water-saving successes!
- Bookmark the Save Water web page, phoenix.gov/SaveWater 3 clicks .
- Join us at [community events](#) 9 clicks
- Invite your younger family members, friends, and students to take the pledge with you! Find the Youth Save Water Pledge [here](#) 4 clicks .

Staying connected with us can help you achieve your water-saving goals!

DID YOU KNOW THAT PLEDGE-TAKERS CAN GET PRIZES?

Grab your Save Water Pledge magnet, sticker, and pencil at your **local Phoenix Public Library location**! Just show your pledge confirmation email or this monthly newsletter to a library employee at the counter, and ask if you can pick up your Pledge merchandise.

If you see our table at events, you may also be able to pick up our new canvas tote bags and/or a wildflower seed packet! **Be sure to stop by and say hello!**

DO YOU ENJOY THE SAVE WATER PLEDGE NEWSLETTER?

If you found this newsletter enjoyable or helpful, why not spread the word? Consider sharing this newsletter with three family members, friends, colleagues, or others in your life. Take the Save Water Pledge together! Share your **#PHXSaveWaterPledge** journey on social media for the possibility of getting shared on our page.



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