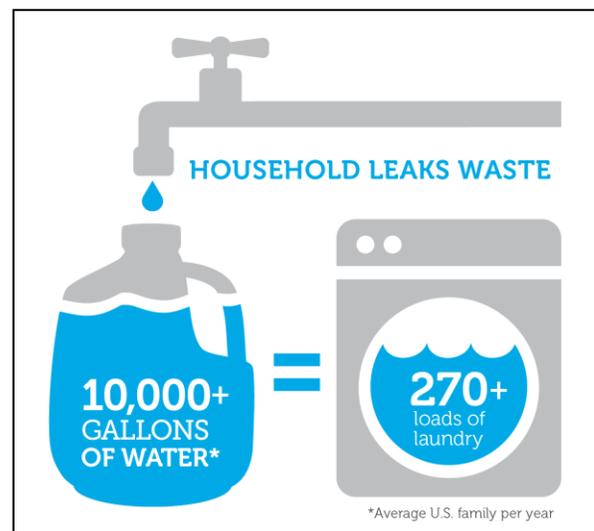


## City, Home Depot promote “Fix a Leak” Week

THE COLONY, Texas — The City of The Colony, along with many North Texas cities and regional water providers, have coordinated with Home Depot to provide over 60 free “Fix a Leak” workshops on **Saturday, March 19.**

Sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s WaterSense® program, “Fix a Leak” Week is March 14-20. Promotions encourage everyone to help put a stop to the more than 1 trillion gallons of water wasted from household leaks each year.

“There have been studies that show 10 percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day,” said Jimmy Arthur, Water Production Supervisor for The Colony. “We are encouraging our water users to find and fix leaks today before they become bigger problems.”



To help, the city is asking water users to:

- **Check for leaks.** Look for dripping faucets, showerheads, sprinklers, and other fixtures. Also check for toilets with silent leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring into the tank, waiting 10 minutes, and seeing if color appears in the bowl before you flush. Don’t forget to check irrigation systems and outdoor faucets, too.
- **Replace the fixture if necessary.** Look for WaterSense labeled faucets, showerheads and toilets, which are independently certified to use 20-percent less water and perform as well as or better than standard models.

If you have a leak or want to replace your fixtures, learn more about your options at the free “Fix a Leak” Workshops hosted by Home Depot. All North Texas Home Depot stores in the following counties, including here in The Colony, are participating in the free workshops: Collin, Cooke, Dallas, Denton,

Ellis, Grayson, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Navarro, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant and Wichita. The Colony Home Depot is located at 5321 State Highway 121.

The schedule for the “Fix a Leak” workshops on March 19 is as follows:

- 10 to 10:40 a.m.: Repair/replace leaking faucets;
- 10:40 to 11:20 a.m.: Repair/replace problem toilets; and,
- 11:20 a.m. to noon: Repair/replace faulty sprinkler heads.

For more information on the “Fix a Leak” Week workshops, visit [www.epa.gov/watersense](http://www.epa.gov/watersense).

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