

Press Release



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CENTRAL BASIN LAUNCHES NEW HIGH-EFFICIENCY GARDENING WORKSHOP SERIES FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS

COMMERCE CA- Central Basin Municipal Water District launched the High Efficiency Living Program (H.E.L.P) Landscape Workshop series this week, with workshops in the Cities of Huntington Park, Lynwood and Norwalk. In total, more than 175 residents attended the free workshops to learn about water saving landscape practices, California friendly plants, and the benefits of different soil types.

Last year, Central Basin was awarded an \$88,350 grant through Metropolitan Water District's Enhanced Conservation Program, to provide residents in disadvantaged cities with California Friendly Landscape workshops.

In keeping with Central Basin's strategic efforts to increase regional conservation, these workshops provide local residents with the information and tools they need to conserve water and reduce their monthly water bills.

"This is a great program for our residents," said Central Basin Board President Ed Vasquez. "With most of our cities now adopting mandatory water conservation ordinances, this is just another way for us to support our residents in reducing daily water use."

Upon completion of the two hour workshop, the attendees received a state-of-the-art irrigation kit that included a set of high-efficiency MP rotators, a stand for the rotators and a hand-operated watering timer to connect to their water hose.

Upcoming HELP Landscape Workshops:

October 3, 2009 at 6:00pm: Bethune Park, Los Angeles – Bilingual (English and Spanish)

October 28, 2009 at 6:00pm: Montebello Senior Center, Montebello - English

In addition to these workshops, six more will be scheduled this fall. For information on dates and times of upcoming H.E.L.P Landscape workshops, please visit www.centralbasin.org or call (323) 201-5514.

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