SUMMIT COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY

TAKE-HOME



CONSERVATION KIT

THESE ITEMS CAN BE USED AND INSTALLED TO <u>SAVE MONEY BY</u> <u>SAVING ENERGY AND WATER.</u>

DYE TABLETS

- Are you flushing dollars down the toilet?
- Check for leaks using dye tablets.
- Slide back the lid of your toilet tank. If it is too heavy for you, ask for help.
- Drop the dye tablet into the water in your toilet tank.
- Put the lid back onto the tank. Do not flush.
- Wait 15 minutes and check your toilet bowl. Is the water clear? You're good! Is it blue? You have a leak and are wasting water. It's time to call your property manager or a plumber to fix your toilet.



TOILET TANK BANK

- Displace water in the toilet tank and save water and money with every flush!
- Fill the tank bank with water.
- Remove the lid of the toilet. If it is too heavy, ask for help.
- Clip the tank bank onto the inside of the toilet wall.
- Place the toilet lid back on.
- The toilet bank will now conserve water with every flush, with no maintenance required.

LED LIGHTBULBS

- Reduce your energy costs by switching to LEDs, which also last longer than incandescent or fluorescent bulbs!
- Select a frequently used light fixture that uses the same size and shape bulb's as the new LED.
- Turn off the light, then unscrew the old light bulb.
- Screw in the new LED light bulb, then turn on the light fixture.
- If you are replacing a fluorescent (CFL) light bulb, please bring this item to the Summit County landfill, Recycle Utah, or to one of the bi-annual household hazardous waste days.





- In need of a nightlight that only uses 3 cents worth of electricity per year?
- Select an outlet where a nightlight is needed in your home.
- Plug in the nightlight and you are good to go!

WEATHERSTRIPPING FOAM

- Are your windows and doors letting heat escape your home?
- Select an area where there is a draft or opening to the outside.
- If you select a window or door, ensure that the weather stripping is not too big that the door or window cannot properly close.
- Cut the strip to the size of the selected area.
- Ensure the surface is dry and the surrounding temperature is between 40 and 90 degrees when applying the stripping.
- Remove the liner backing to stick the adhesive to the selected area.
- The foam will now help reduce heat loss and energy costs for your home!

FAUCET AERATOR

- The larger white colored faucet head (1.5 GPM) is for your kitchen sink.
- Unscrew the old aerator in your kitchen faucet with a wrench or by hand.
- If a wrench or plyers are needed, use a cloth to avoid scratching the fixture.
- Screw in the new aerator by hand, making sure not to screw it too tight!
- If the new aerator leaks, turn the water off, unscrew the aerator and realign.
- For the smaller aerators (1.0 GPM), select a bathroom sink and repeat the same directions.



OUTLET GASKET

- Did you know the area behind your outlet has little to no insulation? Use this foam as a quick and cost-effective solution to eliminate drafts from an outlet.
- Please note, outlet gaskets should not be used on outlet dimmer switches.
- To begin, shut off the electrical power. Then remove the cover plate of the selected outlet with a screwdriver.
- Place the foam cover over the outlet, pulling out the removable foam pieces according to the outlet type.
- Place the cover plate over the foam cover and use the screwdriver to secure the plate back onto the wall.
- Now the electrical power can be turned back on.



OUTLET PLUG

- Is there a draft near the outlets in your home?
- Simply insert the plug into any unused electrical outlet.
- Use this to reduce air moving from the outdoors into your home and to keep children safe!



- Save money and water with every shower by switching to a low-flow shower-head!
- Remove the old shower-head by hand or with a wrench.
- If a wrench is needed, place a cloth around the old showerhead to prevent scratching.
- Take the new shower-head and screw it into the fixture by hand.
- Try turning on the shower. If the shower-head is leaking, remove the new shower-head and wrap plumbers tape around the fitting before screwing the shower-head back in.
- The shower-head is now ready to reduce water with every use.

FOR MORE INSTRUCTIONS ON INSTALLATION AND USE, VISIT OUR WEBSITE

SUMMITCOUNTY.INFO/ENERGYDETECTIVE

ANY EXCESS OR UNUSED ITEMS FROM YOUR KIT?

RETURN THESE ITEMS TO THE LIBRARY OR SHARE THEM WITH NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS TO SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT HOUSEHOLD ENERGY AND WATER SAVINGS!