

News Release



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Foothill Municipal Water District Hosts Water-Saving Landscape Classes

The Foothill Municipal Water District will host two sessions of the California Friendly Landscape Training Program, which helps local residents learn how to create drought-resistant landscaping to save water.

“The classes are part of the District’s Reliable Water Supply Program to increase water independence by developing local sources of water, including recycled water and increased conservation. The District launched the drive for water independence in the face of cutbacks in imported water supplies caused by a statewide drought,” stated Foothill General Manager Nina Jazmadarian.

Offering a wide variety of specific techniques, the classes focus on the effective use of water-smart native plants, efficient and water-saving use of irrigation methods, the proper care of vegetation, and how best to develop strategies to create attractive drought-tolerant landscapes.

The classes, both on Saturdays, are scheduled Sept. 19 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Community Center of La Canada, 4469 Chevy Chase Drive, and Oct. 17 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Altadena Library, 600 E. Mariposa St.

Registration is limited to 35 at the Community Center of La Canada and 95 at the Altadena Library. To register, contact Karen Oblak at the Foothill district office at (818) 790-4036. Because the classes are popular; participants are encouraged to register early before the classes are filled.

Since the majority of water use is for outdoor irrigation, water saving landscape techniques provides the greatest opportunity for more efficient use of water.

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is offering the two identical four-hour residential landscape classes free to the public in its efforts to reduce water use.

Metropolitan supplies imported water to 26 agencies, including the Foothill Municipal Water District, which is a wholesaler that sells water to eight retailers in its service area, which includes La Canada Flintridge, La Crescenta and Altadena.

For more information, contact the Foothill Municipal Water District at (818) 790-4036.

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