## **Home Energy Saving Ideas**

- 1. Installing a solar panel system can supply <u>all</u> <u>your home's electricity</u>. Has a 30% rebate including installation costs
- 2. Some <u>new electric cars</u> have a \$7,5000 Federal tax credit, used cars get \$4,000
- 3. Changing to Time-of-Use-Prime with SCE saves by using grid <u>electricity at the cheapest</u> <u>time of day</u> and it's free to do. Call (866) 743-1645 or sce.com
- 4. Installing an <u>electric car charger</u>, 30% rebate, with installing
- 5. Installing a skylight (with solar-battery powered diffuser) 30% rebate including intallation
- 6. Install a light tube (<u>must have solar-battery</u> <u>powered night light</u>) 30% rebate.
- 7. Installing a stove with an <u>induction cook top</u>, costs less to run, Energy Star has rebate
- 8. Installing batteries to store energy from solar panels for <u>overnight & emergency use</u> 30% rebate.
- 9. Installing home <u>dual paned windows</u>, 30% rebate, plus saves on heating & cooling.
- 10. Replacing fluorescent and incandescent bulbs with <u>LED bulbs and tubes</u>, uses as much as 80% less electricity.
- 11. Replacing <u>air filters</u> in your heating/cooling system, every 6 months, saves <u>electricity</u>.



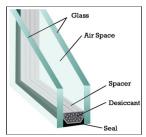


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# How You Can Save Water in Leisure Village

Reducing the amount of water we use at home is one way to slow down the increase in our HOA fee. Having a plumber do all these items at once will save even more.

#### Fixing flapper leaks in toilets:

Check for a flapper leak by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank overnight. Color in the bowl indicates a flapper leak. Fewer toilet flushes is another way of saving water. Replacing the flapper cost \$10 and saves gallons of water.



## Using less water in the shower:

Adding a <u>little control valve behind the shower head</u> will let you reduce the amount of water used by *many gallons each shower, costs about \$15*.



#### Fewer washing cycles saves water:

When using the dishwasher and clothes washer, be sure to have a <u>full load each time</u>. *Saves water*.



Installing a circulating pump on the hot water side saves water, because you will get <u>instant hot water in the bathroom</u> sink and shower. *About \$220 for kit, plus installation cost.* 



## Checking for slab & household leaks:

Water leaking under the slab can be indicated by a pressure test. Attach the pressure gauge on the front hose tap, then turn on that tap. Turn the red indicator needle to cover the pressure needle on the dial. Next turn off the main water shut-off valve. Don't use any household water for an hour. You have a leak somewhere in the house if pressure goes down. The pressure gauge costs about \$10.



## Replace your present water heater with a Heat Pump Water Heater:

They save about \$500/year in electricity. Needs to be special ordered and takes about 3 days to get it delivered. Replace it now before your old tank starts leaking and save money right away. Works only if your water heater is in the garage. Get 30% off the total the cost up to \$2000 with a federal rebate (use IRS form 5695 when filing your taxes).

