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FREE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS PROVIDE COMMUNITY WITH RESOURCES TO CONSERVE WATER AND BENEFIT FROM COST SAVINGS

Residents can learn about water efficiency and conservation through free lunches and workshops

CARSON, Calif. – As part of its efforts to increase water conservation in its communities, <u>West Basin Municipal Water District</u> (West Basin) announces a variety of opportunities for residents to hear about local water issues, receive free water-saving devices, as well as learn how to use these products and receive professional installation support.

In 2018, West Basin will offer the following:

- Lunch & Learn Classes: New this year, West Basin is providing interactive lunch and learn-style classes. Scheduled for the first Friday of each month, attendees can learn about local water issues and plans for securing a reliable water future. To RSVP for the free lunch lesson, visit www.westbasin.org/lunchandlearn.
- Free Rain Barrel Distributions: Through May 2018, West Basin will give away 2,000 rain barrels to District residents. The collection of rainwater in barrels can be used for landscaping and other outdoor purposes. For a list of upcoming dates and events, visit www.westbasin.org/rainbarrels.
- Rainwater / Greywater Classes & Workshops: This series will teach residents how to harvest rainwater with rain barrels for outdoor irrigation, as well as how to safely and legally reuse greywater from clothes washing machines. Each event series consists of one class followed by an additional workshop at a later date in the month. Residents that attend both classes will qualify to receive a free "Greywater Green Landscape" book, a \$100 discount on greywater parts, and one-hour in-home technical assistance for the installation of greywater systems. To register, visit www.westbasin.org/greywater.

All West Basin classes and workshops are a part of a District-wide water conservation effort. To date, West Basin programs have helped to conserve more than 167 billion gallons of water and to distribute more than 300,000 water-saving devices. Each conservation program helps District businesses and residents take an everyday approach to water savings.

For the full list of dates, locations, and to RSVP for any of the upcoming West Basin events, please visit www.westbasin.org. Registration is required for all upcoming programs and events. Questions or requests for additional information can be emailed to info@westbasin.org.

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West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) is a wholesale water agency that provides imported drinking water to nearly one million people in 17 cities and unincorporated areas in Los Angeles County. West Basin is an industry leader in water conservation, recycling and education. The District is implementing a Water Reliability program to reduce the agency's dependence on imported water and develop local, drought-proof water supplies. This includes water conservation, recycling, groundwater desalting and the exploration of ocean water desalination. Visit www.westbasin.org to learn more.