



April 2018



## Water Conservation Rebate Programs



### Save Water. Save Money

City of Modesto water customers may be eligible for new water conservation rebate programs. Funding is limited and applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

**Smart Controller • Sprinkler Nozzle Replacement • Drip Irrigation  
Rain Barrel • Turf Replacement • Toilet & Clothes Washer Rebates**

Applications available online or via phone

[www.modestogov.com/savewater](http://www.modestogov.com/savewater) (209) 342-2246

State of California rebates also available visit [www.saveourwaterrebates.com](http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com)

### City of Modesto Water Division

(209) 342-2246 | [www.modestogov.com/savewater](http://www.modestogov.com/savewater)

For more information, terms and conditions visit us online.

Free to the public!

## EARTH DAY in the park festival

**Graceada Park**  
Saturday, April 21, 2018  
10am - 4pm

**Live Entertainment!**  
Bubblemania & Co.  
The Silly String Band  
DJ Music & Games  
Funstrummers  
Petting Zoo

**O'Brien's Market 08-Green Recycling Event**  
Free Paper Shredding • Free Electronic Waste & CRV Recycling  
Hope Chest Thrift Store Truck Accepting Donations

**GUESS THE WEIGHT OR COUNT OF A RECYCLED COMMODITY AND WIN!**  
Sponsored by Modesto Junk Co. and Cruisers

Fresh Flowers • Rodin Farms • Solar Energy • Electric Cars  
Yoga • Healthy Living • Green Education • Food • Kids Activities

<http://www.modestogov.com/415/Earth-Day>



### Utility Billing Assistance Programs for Low Income Customers

#### Water Rate Assistance Program

Qualifying customers will have their base service charge for water reduced by \$10.00 each monthly billing cycle.

#### Senior/Disabled Low Income Assistance Program

Qualifying customers will receive a 25% discount each monthly billing cycle.

For a detailed list of qualifications and requirements visit: [modestogov.com](http://modestogov.com) or contact Customer Services at (209) 577-5395



### City of Modesto Waste Tire Recycling Events

#### PROGRAM GUIDELINES:

- City of Modesto residents only
- No businesses
- Tires with and without rims - OK
- Car, Truck & Motorcycle Tires - OK
- Up to 9 tires accepted at no charge
- No Commercial or Tractor Tires

#### WHAT TO DO:

- Call City of Modesto and request a Coupon: (209) 577-5494
- Gilton Solid Waste (209) 527-3781
- Bertolotti Disposal (209) 537-8000
- Take Tires to Garbage Company
- Do not mix tires with other waste

#### FREE DISPOSAL ON DATES LISTED BELOW

February 1-28 • April 1-30 • June 1-30

(Closed April 1)

August 1-31 • October 1-31 • December 1-31

(Closed Dec. 25)

Funded by a grant from the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)

Questions?  
Call (209) 577-5494



SEWER PROBLEMS?

**CALL US FIRST**  
577-6200

# FREE! BACKYARD COMPOSTING CLASS

{for Modesto Residents Only}

**Tues., May 15, 2018**

**6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

at Modesto Junior College  
Community Education

To register,

**Call 575-6063**



*From Garbage to Garden*

**SAVE \$5.00**

on the purchase of a  
**City of Modesto compost bin**  
when you complete the class!  
Quantities Limited



**CITY OF MODESTO  
CELEBRATES  
NATIONAL BIKE MONTH**

## Family Cycling Festival >> MAY 12

**Festival 10AM-2PM • Downtown Modesto • "I" Street, between 10th and 12th Streets**  
Modesto Cycling Festival on I Street will transform downtown Modesto into an event like no other. Vendor booths, bicycle helmet giveaways, BMX bike shows and other festivities.

**Bicycle safety and education are emphasized.** Helmet fitting and giveaways at no charge.

**Attendees will enjoy:**

- Free Helmets fitted for kids
- Bounce Houses
- Face Painting
- Rock Climbing
- Interactive Public Works equipment displays and activities
- Safe Kids Stanislaus Day Safety games & activities
- BMX Stunt Team will perform at 11:00, 12:00, 1:00



## Bike to Work Day >> MAY 17

**Bike to Work 6:30AM-8:30AM • Commute by bicycle into downtown Modesto, City Hall, 1010 Tenth Street, Modesto**

**Bike to Work with Mayor Brandvold • Meet 6AM at Village Baking Company & Cafe**

Depart 6:30AM Finishing at City Hall, 1010 Tenth Street, Modesto

**Free T-Shirt and Prizes to First 150 Bike Commuters! Prize Drawings!**

Free continental Breakfast for all bicycle commuters

[modestogov.com/bike-month](http://modestogov.com/bike-month)

### Best Management Practices in the Home Garden

Storm drains are intended to drain rain water away from our streets and to prevent flooding. Urban runoff contributes significantly to the pollutants that enter our creeks, rivers, and oceans. By using pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers properly, protecting these materials from rain and wind, and using less toxic chemicals, you can minimize the pollutant potential. Some best management practices (BMPs) for the home garden include:

Do not over water. Over-watering will cause runoff that carries yard waste,



pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers into the storm drain system. Conserve water by using irrigation practices such as drip irrigation, soaker hoses, or micro-spray systems.

Store fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides in a protected area to prevent runoff into the storm drain system. Do not use if rain is expected.

Use herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers that are organic or non-toxic. Follow all directions on the label for use.

If a pesticide must be used, use one that

is specifically designed to control your pest. The insect should be listed on the label. 90% of the insects on your lawn and garden are not harmful.

Read labels and use only as directed. Many home gardeners use pesticides at over 20 times the rate that farmers do.

For more information, visit <https://modestogov.com/518/Environmental-Services> or contact the City of Modesto Environmental Services Section 24/7 at (209) 577-6200.

