

Case Study: Avenue Property Management Bathroom Retrofit

Water Conservation

Avenue Property Management in Colorado Springs maintains more than 3,000 housing units. One property at 725 N. Cascade Ave. was built in 1899 and has since been converted into a six-unit apartment building housing 8-12 residents. The company took advantage of our custom rebate to retrofit older



bathroom fixtures, including toilets, showerheads and sink aerators. Though a relatively small project, it yielded significant water savings.

Actions Taken

- Six 3.5 gallon-per-flush toilets were replaced with ultra-high efficiency 0.8 gallon-per-flush toilets.
- Showerheads and sink aerators were replaced with high efficiency fixtures provided by Colorado Springs Utilities at no cost.

Water Savings Results

Average daily water consumption prior to the retrofits was 51 cubic feet (about twice the volume of a large refrigerator). It is now 40 cubic feet. Total estimated savings are 58,000 gallons of water/year, with an annual bill savings of nearly \$700. Because of the significant water savings realized in this retrofit, our rebate covered 86% of the project; the cost of toilets and installation was \$1,250 and the custom rebate was \$1,077. Avenue Property Management will realize further water and energy savings from the showerhead and aerator retrofits.

Learn more about Water Savings at csu.org

Testimonial from Avenue Property Management:

"Installing new, water-efficient fixtures gives us a competitive edge when renters are considering where to live. It's everyone's responsibility to conserve where possible."