

The Villages



# WATER WISDOM

SMART MANAGEMENT OF WATER RESOURCES IN FLORIDA'S FRIENDLIEST HOMETOWN

## Shower and Bath Use

This week The Villages Water Wisdom program will focus on conserving water in the shower and bath. A dripping showerhead can waste several hundred gallons of water a week, depending on the size of the drip. Following just a few simple steps can reduce your water use and stop both your water and money from going down the drain.

Here are some suggestions to conserve water in the shower or bathtub, while minimizing your water bill:

- Check your shower head to make sure it is screwed on tightly.
- Replace washers in the shower heads as soon as you notice dripping.
- Replace leaky drain plugs in the bath tub.
- Take shorter showers—5 minutes or less.
- When taking a bath, close the drain first and let the initial burst of cold water be warmed by the hot water as the tub fills.
- Fill the bath tub only 1/3 of the way full.
- Never put water down the drain when there may be another use for it such as watering a plant or cleaning.

The Villages Water Wisdom program aims to help you become a *Water Wise* resident and a better steward of our precious water resources.