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Get Paid to Upgrade with Marietta Power and Water's Toilet Rebate Program

Marietta Power and Water is offering you an opportunity to make money for upgrading your toilets. Through Marietta Power and Water's toilet rebate program, customers in homes built before 1993 are encouraged to retrofit older, high-flow toilets with new low-flow technology. The program offers two rebate options for toilets purchased from an approved list.

The first option is a \$50 rebate for the purchase of any 1.6 gallons per flush toilet. The second program option is a \$100 rebate for high efficiency toilets that use 1.28 gallons per flush and have the WaterSense certification.

To receive the rebate, customers should purchase a toilet from the approved list and submit the original receipt along with an application to the Marietta Power and Water marketing office at 675 North Marietta Parkway, Marietta, GA 30060. After verifying the eligibility of the toilet and the age of the

home, the rebate will be applied as a credit to the customer's water bill. Customers will be eligible to receive rebates for up to three toilets per home.

Approved toilet lists and rebate application can be found at www.mariettopowerandwater.com. These toilets were chosen because they have been tested and proven as quality products by an independent testing lab. And have been shown to provide sustained water savings over time. WaterSense is the Environmental Protection Agency's labeling program for water efficiency. It is modeled after the Energy Star program and WaterSense toilets will have the logo on the product.

Program funds have been capped, and rebates will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, visit www.mariettopowerandwater.com or call (770) 794-5106. ⚡

Take a Permanent Vacation from High Utility Costs by Getting Your Home Ready for Cool Summer Savings

Summertime doesn't have to mean that you have to choose between being comfortable or paying high utility costs. By implementing a few practical strategies you can run your household the way you like and still reduce your energy bill.

Start Creating an Energy Efficient Living Space by Sealing Air Leaks

Sealing these leaks will mean that less unconditioned air makes it into your house. Use caulking and weather-stripping to seal cracks and gaps around windows, doors, plumbing and electrical outlets.

Make Sure Your HVAC Unit is Properly Sized

The key to a cool and comfortable home

is making sure your HVAC unit is the right size for your house. A unit that is too big will turn on and off too frequently, causing indoor temperatures to fluctuate. This may result in higher utility bills and a less comfortable home. A unit that is undersized will run too often, and on the hottest days of the year may not be able to adequately cool your home.

Insulate Your House to Recommended Levels

Learn your home's R-value and determine if you have adequate insulation in your attic, walls and floors. Installing more insulation in your home increases

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its R-value and its resistance to heat flow, keeping heat out and cool air in.

Replace Appliances with ENERGY STAR® Products

If you live in a typical U.S. home, your appliances and home electronics are responsible for about 20 percent of your energy bills. Thanks to recent improvements in insulation and compressors, today's refrigerators use much less energy than older models. ENERGY STAR® qualified refrigerators are required to use 20 percent less energy than models not labeled with the ENERGY STAR® logo.



Use Compact Fluorescents

Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescents, which are four times more efficient and last up to 10 times longer than a traditional incandescent bulb.



Rebates and Incentives

For a limited time, Marietta Power and Water is offering rebates for ENERGY STAR® certified central heating and air-conditioning equipment and ENERGY STAR® certified appliances.

Rebates are also available for a **GreenStreet** Home Performance assessment, duct sealing, air sealing, and/or insulation installation to residential electric customers in single-family homes. A **GreenStreet** Home Performance assessment is a comprehensive, high-tech evaluation of the energy performance of a home. The purpose of the assessment is to identify energy waste in the home and to develop a plan to reduce energy use and lower energy bills.

Rebates will be paid by a one-time credit on the customer's Marietta Power and Water bill.

For more information about energy conservation, or to see if you qualify for any of the Marietta Power and Water Rebate Programs, call (770) 794-5106 or visit www.mariettagov.com.

Calendar of Events

Saturday, June 4, 11, 18, 25

Marietta Square Farmers Market

9 a.m. until noon
Glover Park in Marietta Square
Every Saturday through November 19 – rain or shine. The market features products that are grown, made and produced in Georgia. For more information visit www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.net.

Saturday, June 11

Marietta Square Artists Market

Mill Street near Marietta Square
Held the second Saturday of the month April through November, this fine arts juried artists market showcases artwork created by local college students. For more information visit www.artistsmarketmarietta.com.



MARIETTA SQUARE
ARTISTS MARKET

Friday, June 17

Juneteenth Concert

7 until 10 p.m.
Glover Park in Marietta Square
Enjoy Jazz on the lawn of Glover Park! Bring your blanket or folding chairs. This is an alcohol free and litter free event! For more information, call (770) 425-5757.

Saturday, June 18

Juneteenth Celebration on the Square

10 a.m. until 7 p.m.
Glover Park in Marietta Square
Join the Cobb NAACP and city of Marietta for the eighth annual Juneteenth Celebration. The day includes family activities, ethnic foods, entertainment, vendors, music, history, giveaways and more. For more information, call (770) 425-5757.

Friday, June 24

Glover Park Concert Series

8 until 10 p.m.
Glover Park in Marietta Square
Yacht Rock / Party Rock
For more information visit www.mariettagov.com/departments/parks_rec/concertseries.aspx

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