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ENERGY SAVINGS WITH LED BULBS

Quality LED light bulbs last longer, are more durable, and offer comparable or better light quality than other types of lighting. Unfortunately, with all of the different types and brands of LED bulbs available, it can be hard to choose. The LED Lighting Facts® label, available on many products, provides important information on bulb performance, but terms such as 'lumens' and 'light color' may be unfamiliar.

The descriptions below shed some light on these and other measures. Hopefully, it will help you find the right light for your needs.

- **Lumens:** measures the light emitted in lumens. The higher the number, the more light you get.
- **Watts:** the amount of energy to operate the bulb.

- **Lumens per Watt:** measures efficiency. The higher the number, the more efficient the bulb.
- **Color Accuracy:** indicates the effect of the light from the bulb on the color appearance of objects. The higher the number, the more accurate the color.
- **Light Color:** indicates light color in degrees Kelvin (K). Cool colors have higher color temperatures (3600-5500K); warm colors have lower temperatures (2700-3500 K).

The cost for LED bulbs has dropped significantly in the past few years. Today, you can buy an ENERGY STAR® certified 60-watt equivalent LED bulb for as little as \$1.50.

For more energy saving tips, please visit www.mariettapowerandwater.com. 💧

Prepare for Spring, Check for Water Leaks

By paying proper attention to the maintenance of pipes, hoses, and irrigation systems, you can save a great deal in water losses each month. After all, a pinhole leak in an outside faucet can waste 170 gallons of water in twenty-four hours.

A good starting point to determine whether or not there is a leak at your home is with the water meter. First, make sure no water is being used inside or outside of your home. Next, carefully remove the cover from your water meter box and lift the lid on the top of the meter register. Locate

the leak detector (the small triangle on the meter dial) and if it is rotating, you may have a leak.

With leaks wasting potentially thousands of gallons of water in only a few days, promptly correcting the problem is crucial. Some of the common culprits include hose spigots and irrigation systems. Check for cuts or nicks in hoses regularly. Also make sure emitters on drip irrigation systems and drip pores in soaker hoses are not clogged.

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Sediment can often collect inside the hoses, obstructing the flow of water. Flushing out the hoses once or twice a year is recommended. If you will be away from your home for an extended period of time, it's best to turn the water off at the

shut-off valve in the event that a leak develops during your absence.

For more water saving and water conservation tips, visit www.mariettagov.com. 💧

We Are Pleased to Announce “Trash Talk”, the New Citizen Friendly Sanitation App!

This new digital application is FREE! Download “Trash Talk” from the App Store via the iOS system or the Google Play Store via your Android Device and search for “Marietta Trash Talk.” Once you download the app you will be able to enter your address and receive various levels of notifications depending upon your needs.

Trash Talk will:

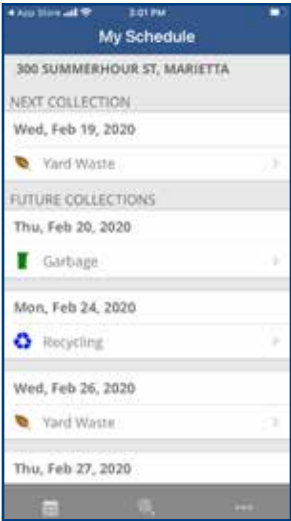
- Send you push notifications for changes in normal service.
- Allow you to keep track of city holidays.
- Tell you if a trash item is against the rules - enter in items like “glass” or “paint can” or “motor oil” and not only will the app tell you how and where to dispose of these items, it will also give you the directions to that specific facility.

Are you interested in sanitation services? If you are a residential customer and live within the Marietta city limits, you qualify for sanitation pickup.

The Sanitation Services Division provides the following services:

- Residential garbage collection twice a week at rear door.
- Residential curbside recycling collection weekly.
- Residential curbside yard waste (brush) collection weekly.
- You may also request the pickup of special items.

To learn more, or to request a recycling bin, please call (770) 794-5595. 💧



Calendar

Saturdays Year Round

Marietta Square Farmers Market

Marietta Square
9 a.m. until noon

For more information, visit
www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com
or call (770) 499-9393.

Sunday, April 26

Taste of Marietta

Marietta Square
11 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Get your taste buds and dancing shoes ready for Taste of Marietta, one of the largest and most exciting food festivals in Georgia. For more information, please contact the Marietta Welcome Center & Visitors Bureau at (770) 429-1115.

Thursdays in May

Brown Bag Concert Series

Glover Park in Marietta Square
12 p.m. until 1 p.m.

May 2020 Lineup

- **May 07** Brent McDonald
- **May 14** The Dixie Saints
- **May 21** Brandon Crocker
- **May 28** David Cooper

For more information, call the Marietta Parks and Recreation Department at (770) 794-5601.

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