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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Department of Water Supply Promotes Leak Detection during Fix-A-Leak Week**

Department of Water Supply (DWS) customers are encouraged to detect and fix leaks in their plumbing during Fix-A-Leak Week from March 14 to March 20, 2022.

In recognition of this national event and to promote water conservation efforts islandwide, **FREE toilet tank leak detection tablets** and other water conservation materials are available at DWS office locations in Hilo, Waimea, and Kona, while supplies last.

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the average American home can waste more than 10,000 gallons of water every year from running toilets, dripping faucets, and other household leaks. These types of leaks are often easy to fix, requiring only a few tools and hardware that can pay for themselves in water savings. Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save the average homeowner about 10 percent on their water bill.

To check for leaks, residents should observe their water meter after turning off all faucets, spigots and other household appliances (dishwashers, clothes washers, etc.) If the meter is still moving, a leak may be present. Customers should also review their water bill for spikes in water usage.

For more leak detection and water conservation tips, visit the Department of Water Supply website at: [www.hawaiidws.org](http://www.hawaiidws.org) or the EPA website at: [www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week](http://www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week) .

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