Learn how you can lower the water usage of your Maryvale home by following a few simple and easy steps.
Did you know that...

• ...about 60% of a home's total water use occurs outside the home in the yards and landscaping.

What you can do...

Here are some steps you can take to lower your water bills by landscaping your home in attractive, cost-effective ways.

• Xeriscape - replace your grass with drought-resistant plants, packed soil or other ground cover, such as granite or crushed rock and mulches that reduce evaporation from planted areas.

• Use drought-resistant trees, low-water large bushes or vines which provide cooling shade, screening for privacy, and enhance views.

Want to learn more...

If you would like to switch to low-water plants for landscaping your home, funding may be available through the Maryvale Curb Appeal Program sponsored by the Maryvale Revitalization Corporation. The program offers $500 towards converting your front yard to desert landscape. Interested? Call 623.848.2795 for more information.

The following resource booklets are also available:

• Landscape Plants for the Arizona Desert: Guide to Growing More than 200 Low-Water-Use Plants. You can obtain a copy by calling 602.261.8367

• Xeriscape: Landscaping with Style in the Sonoran Desert. Obtain a copy by contacting the Arizona Department of Water Resources at 602.771.8500

You can also attend these free or low-cost workshops:


• Phoenix Permaculture Guild. Workshops conducted at downtown Phoenix locations. http://www.phoenixpermaculture.org/

• Glendale Main Library. Free landscape classes to homeowners. To register, call 623.930.3760

Web resources to help you understand your desert landscape options:

