

## Missouri American Water Provides Tips to Locate and Fix Leaks During U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Fix a Leak Week 2024

ST. LOUIS, MO – MARCH 19, 2024 – [Missouri American Water](#) highlights the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Fix a Leak Week 2024 by sharing tips to locate and fix leaks fast.

"Common household leaks are often simple to fix," said Jody Carlson, Vice President of Operations for Missouri American Water. "Ignoring a minor leak can become financially significant over time."

According to the EPA, the average household wastes nearly 10,000 gallons of water annually. Below are a few common places to check for leaks inside your home:

- Faucets
- A leaky faucet can waste nearly 3,200 gallons of water per year.
- Toilets
- These silent water wasters can usually be fixed by adjusting or replacing the flapper valve.
- Washing machine
- If you see water on the floor under your washing machine, contact a repair person. You may need to replace your drain hose.
- Tub spouts and shower heads
- Leaks here can waste hundreds of gallons per year. If you notice one, be sure to address it as soon as you can.
- Boiler system
- If the sound of running water is continuous and does not stop and start periodically, there may be a leak. Contact a professional to check it out and perform repairs.

Learn more about detecting leaks and download a leak detection kit: <https://www.amwater.com/moaw/Water-Wastewater-Information/Detecting-Leaks/>

Additionally, American Water received the EPA's 2023 WaterSense Excellence Award for its strategic collaboration efforts in research and consumer education.

### About Missouri American Water

Missouri American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 1.6 million people.

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