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HELP FOR CASTLE HILL HOUSEHOLDS TO SAVE WATER

Castle Hill residents will have more assistance to make their homes water efficient as part of a NSW Government package to support the community during on-going drought conditions.

The \$6 million-dollar boost will go towards Sydney Water's 'Waterfix' program, which helps households save water by fixing leaks and installing water efficient devices.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP says both residential homes and apartments can benefit from this funding.

"I know that Castle Hill residents want to do their bit to safeguard our water supply so I'm proud to be able to deliver this program to make water savings at home."

"When you book a WaterFix appointment, one of Sydney Water's qualified plumbers will check your home for leaks and opportunities to save water."

"Once the initial audit inspection is complete, they will tell you about any repair work needed and suggest suitable water efficient devices. If you give Sydney water the go ahead, they will do the repair work."

Minister for Water, Property and Housing Melinda Pavey says it is part of the NSW Government's commitment to helping families during on-going dry conditions.

"Last year rainfall levels in NSW were among the lowest ever recorded over an extended period. In some areas, the state is the driest it has ever been and worse than the millennium drought," Mrs Pavey said.

"The WaterFix program will help people save thousands of litres of water each year, lowering demands on Sydney's water supply and bring down the cost of household water bills.

"The Liberals & Nationals Government is doing everything it can to help individuals and families improve their water efficiency."

The funding covers:

- The cost of the plumber's call-out fee (usually \$60)
- Up to three minor indoor tap leak repairs (usually \$99)
- Subsidised water efficient shower heads (These range from \$11 to \$22 per showerhead)

To apply: visit sydneywater.com.au/waterfix or call **1800 807 475**

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