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# Tours Program Transforms Customers into Conservation Ambassadors

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#### **About CVWD**

- Incorporated in 1955
- Independent Special District
- Stats:
  - Population Served- 190,000
  - 48,000 water connections
  - 35,000 sewer connections
- Water Supply
  - Imported from Northern CA
  - Groundwater
  - Canyon water
  - Recycled water







## **Award Winning Program**

#### **Cucamonga Tours**

- State Water Project Tour
- Cucamonga Water Tour
- Michael Treatment Plant tours
- Legislative tours
- Water Savvy Garden Tour





# State Water Project Tour

- Budget- \$25,000
- Attendance- 35 people
- Stakeholders, residents, and staff
- Two day tour







# Cucamonga Water Tour



- Budget- \$5,000
- Attendance- 55 people
- Stakeholders, residents, and staff
- Regional and local facilities





#### **Treatment Plant Tours**

- Budget- \$2,500
- Attendance- 100 residents
- Lloyd W. Michael Water Treatment Plant







## **Legislative Tours**

- Budget- minimal!
- One-on-one tours
- Local, regional, and state legislators and staff
- Treatment plant, local canyons, and other District facilities







#### **Garden Tour**

- Budget- \$5,000
- Attendance- 200 residents
- Self-guided tour of model residential landscapes







# **Impact**







- Total # of participants- 2,500+
- Community partnerships
- Valuable relationships
- District advocates
- Increased conservation



#### Results

- 20% water use reduction prior to Governor's call to conserve
- 87% of customers understand there is a drought
- 87% of customers ranked conserving water as the most important local issue
- 91% of customers have taken actions to reduce water use



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#### Thank you!

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