



- Plant native plants
- Use compost and mulch to help retain water
- Adjust sprinklers away from paved areas
- Water in the morning when there's less evaporation

2. On average, how much does a gallon of water cost (in Hampton Roads)?

- **Answer:** Less than a hundredth (1/100) of a penny!
- **Good to Know:**
- For something so essential, it is amazingly inexpensive. Most households pay around \$1 a day for all the tap water they use. Compared to cell phone service or cable TV that could be the world's greatest bargain.
  - Monthly water usage of 5,000 gallons: \$17-\$58/month (or calculate local average)
  - Economy cable TV & Internet Package: about \$75/month
  - Family cell phone plan with data package: about \$210/month
  - Daily small vanilla skim latte: about \$97.50/month
- **Good to Do:** Drink tap, not bottled water.

3. In one word, what does water mean to you? (or *How important it is to have water available from your faucet 24/7/365?*)

- **Good to Know:** Water is life. It...
  - Protects our health
  - Allows our economy to thrive
  - Provides the quality of life we all enjoy
- **Good to Do:** Don't take water for granted. Support the investment necessary to repair and replace our aging infrastructure. Our quality of life and health cannot be sustained without continued and improved access to clean drinking water and sanitation services. Stay informed about water-related issues.

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