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Deerfield Tap Water: The Environmentally Friendly Choice - #GreenUpDeerfield

The Deerfield Sustainability Commission and Deerfield High School Earthworks Club encourage residents to choose tap water over bottled water whenever possible. To make consuming tap water more convenient, consider utilizing a reusable water bottle. You can purchase a reusable water bottle with the “GreenUpDeerfield” logo on it for \$3.00 at Village Hall, 850 Waukegan Road, while supplies last. Funds raised from the sale of reusable water bottles will help support costs for installing a water bottle refill station in the Village.



Deerfield tap water is safe. The Village gets its water from Lake Michigan, among the cleanest fresh water sources in the nation. Village water meets or exceeds strict EPA regulations and is tested multiple times per week using the newest technology available to offer faster results.

According to the Environmental Working Group, bottled water is not necessarily safer than tap water and is often sourced from municipal supplies. While water quality reports from bottled water manufacturers are often unavailable, the Village mails a water quality report to all water customers annually. The annual water quality report will be included in the July/August issue of D-Tales.

Deerfield tap water is a bargain when compared to bottled water. Tap water is less than half a penny per gallon compared to an average of \$1.70 per gallon for a 24 pack of 16.8 ounce bottles; 312 times more expensive!

Tap water is the environmentally friendly choice. Millions of barrels of oil are used to produce plastic bottles and about 75 percent end up in a landfill, about 1 million tons per year nationwide. Transportation creates additional environmental costs.

Encourage your friends and neighbors to join you in choosing tap water over bottled water, whenever possible.

For more information, on energy conservation resources, visit the “Green Up Deerfield” webpage at www.deerfield.il.us #GreenUpDeerfield

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