

## **Watersaver Contractor Program - - A Win-Win for Industry and Public- Owned Utilities**

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The Watersaver Landscape Contractor program is designed to develop a cadre of industry professionals, both Landscape and Irrigation professionals, that have a good working knowledge of complying with the City of San Antonio's conservation ordinance and exhibit the cutting edge of landscape water conservation. The program incorporates not only maintenance, repair, and design of irrigation systems but also covers appropriate management, plant materials and landscape design retrofits to achieve a notable landscape. The focus is to also assist the commercial, industrial and institutional customers with a selection of recognized Watersaver Landscape contractors and to provide landscape/irrigation contractors with opportunities to become trained in water conservation practices