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Toilet Rebate Program
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A screenshot of a news website article. The browser address bar shows 'www.11alive.com/Money/waystosave/202806/289/Cobb-Toilet-Rebate-Program'. The website header includes the '11 ALIVE HD' logo, navigation links (Home, Weather, News, Sports, Video, Features, Connect, About), and a search bar. The article title is 'Cobb Toilet Rebate Program' with a timestamp of '10:37 AM, Aug 24, 2011' and '0 comments'. The main image shows a blue toilet flush valve with a blue water-saving device attached. A video player interface is overlaid on the image, showing 'WAYS TO SAVE TOILET REBATES' and 'FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011'. To the right of the video is a 'MOST VIEWED ARTICLES' section with five article thumbnails and titles.

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Cobb: You might be surprised to know that the biggest water waster inside you house is your toilet. That's why a lot of metro Atlanta counties are practically giving away low flow toilets threw rebate programs.

Kathy Nguyen isn't shy or bashful when it comes to talking about toilets. She works for the Cobb Water Department but she also participated in their toilet rebate program. "I have seen our water bill drop by a 1000 gallons and for us that's pretty significant sense our average use is really around 3000 gallons a month... We're down to 2000 gallons a month," Kathy said.

In Cobb County your home must have been built before 1993. And you can get a 100 dollar rebate up to three toilets for replacing them. But the toilet must be an E.P.A Water Sense Labeled toilet that only

uses 1 point 28 gallons per flush. If you don't live in Cobb, don't worry, most metro Atlanta counties and city water departments offer just about the same program with a few differences.

If you don't think this matters that much, Cobb county has replaced 17,000 thousand toilets saving customers 69 million gallons of water. But there still flushing away huge amounts of water unnecessarily. "We have 90,000 homes in Cobb that we're built before 1993 that we have to reach. So we are doing well but we're not there yet," she said.

Kathy says after you show proof of purchase it usually takes about 2 to 3 months to see the rebate show up as a credit in your bill. If you think you qualify contact your local water department or look on their websites.