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Free water assistance available for qualifying families

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Water delivery and tank installation is available for families who qualify for CAPK's Temporary Water Assistance Program.

The Community Action Partnership of Kern, in partnership with Self-Help Enterprises, is helping some Kern County families whose wells have run dry install water tanks and get water deliveries at no cost.

"As soon as the tanks are installed, the water company comes right after and fills them up," CAPK's Director of Community Services Romala Ramkissoon said in a press release Friday. "The client is placed on a schedule and the water company comes and refills the tank at regular intervals every so many weeks."

Sparkletts bottled water is also available for delivery within their service areas and at their locations around Kern County.

For bathing water, CAPK's Energy Program's weatherization installers can deliver and install a large tank with a small pump that allows water to flow into taps throughout the home. The tank can hold 2,600 gallons.

Families who think they may qualify for the Temporary Water Assistance Program can call the Environmental Health Division of Kern County Public Health Services at (661) 862-8776.