

MWDOC Mascot Ricky Raindrop Helps Inspire Good Water Stewardship at Community Events Across Orange County!

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Ricky Raindrop, local celebrity and the Municipal Water District of Orange County's (MWDOC) school program mascot, has been the symbol for good water stewardship in Orange County for over 45 years.

Just this year alone, Ricky has inspired OC residents of all ages to use water wisely at community events like coastal cleanups, green expos, water festivals, and has even starred in his own video (coming soon!).

“Ricki the Rambunctious Raindrop” was first imagined by an OC school teacher, and was brought to MWDOC in 1973 by Mary Jane Foley, renowned Southern California water leader. Since that time, he has been helping teachers engage students in water-focused topics like the water cycle, water supply sources, and water conservation. Many people recall the lessons that have made a lasting impact, and have helped shape their water-saving behaviors.

With a new modern look and name adaptation, Ricky still makes appearances in the classroom, and can be seen “on the run” at a variety of educational and family-friendly community events across Orange County.

The next time you see Ricky “on the run” promoting water awareness in your community, be sure to say hello and take a pledge to be water smart!