





THE SITUATION: A LARGE PROPERTY WITH COMPLEX WATER NEEDS

IMT Residential's RIATA is the largest multifamily community in Central Texas and is one of Banyan Water's oldest customers. The property covers 160 acres and has a complex irrigation system. Austin, Texas, where RIATA is located, has only recently recovered from a long-term drought which made landscape maintenance especially challenging for several years.

A LONG-TERM **PARTNERSHIP**

IMT Residential partnered with Banyan Water because of their ability to manage large and complex properties while saving water. Banyan Water uses its smart technologies and comprehensive services to provide a turnkey solution: actively managing soil moisture to irrigate only what is required. What's more, Banyan Water's technology monitors water flow across the property and immediately detects leaks or unusual water use. Lisa Soto, Senior Community Manager for RIATA, says, "I don't ever have to worry. Banyan Water does everything and keeps me informed of any repairs that need to be made, and I know that they will always have a solution for us."

Property

- Located in Austin, Texas
- Multifamily residential
- 2,044 units
- 160 acres

2016 Highlights

- 47 million gallons of water saved in 2016
- Water savings equivalent to meet the annual needs of over 320 households
- 73% reduction in irrigation water use in 2016

WATER SAVINGS AND **NOI IMPACT**

By saving over 47 million gallons of water in 2016, IMT RIATA exemplifies how easily businesses can implement Banyan Water's technologies and expertise to make considerable impacts on operating budgets and natural resources.

With Banyan's help, RIATA was able to enroll in the City of Austin's Alternative Irrigation Compliance Pilot Program, allowing them more flexibility in watering schedules even during drought-related water restrictions. As that program has changed and developed, RIATA and Banyan Water have provided regular feedback to Austin Water. Being an

active partner and contributing regular feedback has not only helped RIATA to stay in compliance during times of drought, but has also created a positive partnership between the three organizations.

Along with the financial and environmental benefits, Soto appreciates that Banyan Water's team takes its job to heart and makes her staff feel like they really care. "It's not just about the company or technology, but the people that work for Banyan, too. We trust them completely."

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COMMUNITY IMPACT

The ongoing need for water conservation and recent legislation in Texas, such as the State Water Plan, continue to highlight the need for real water sustainability solutions. With Banyan's technologies and services, RIATA is doing

its part to conserve water every day. Their annual water savings are equivalent to the total water needs of over 300 households.

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