

VILLAGE RESPONSIBILITY

While the Village of Streamwood is not legally responsible for damages resulting from sewer back-ups in individual residences, the Village believes that it can provide some assistance to residents in protecting their basements from sanitary sewer back-up. The Village strives to provide safe, reliable and effective utility services, and has a policy and practice of regularly maintaining, repairing and upgrading its infrastructure. Though this is likely to reduce the number and degree of sewer back-up incidents, it is impossible for the Village of Streamwood to eliminate such back-ups altogether due to the age of the Village's system, the current level of technology, and the limitations of the fiscal resources of the Village.

This cost-sharing program is a voluntary undertaking of the Village, and shall not be construed as an assumption of responsibility or legal liability arising from the design, installation, operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of any private sewer line, overhead sewer or check valve device, or any damages or injuries arising from the failure or malfunction of such a system.

CAN I READ THIS ORDINANCE ON-LINE?

If you would like to read about the Village's sewage and wastewater ordinances on-line, you can go to www.streamwood.org. Once on the site, select **I Want To..** and then **Review Village Code**. There will be a side bar along the left-hand side of the page where you can click on Title 7. This will reveal all of the sections in this title.

WHAT IF I HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

After reading this brochure and the ordinance, you may find that you have additional questions or concerns that need further clarification. You may contact the Village of Streamwood Public Works Department at (630) 736-3850 and speak with someone about the program.



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The Sewer Back-Up Program is a one-time cost sharing program between the Village of Streamwood and the homeowners of single-family homes. A property owner who meets all of the eligibility standards set forth in the **eligibility standards** may apply to the Village of Streamwood for reimbursement of a portion of the costs for the initial installation of either an overhead sewer or check valve device.

COST SHARING PROGRAM

The Village of Streamwood has limited funding to allocate to this program each year. Therefore, this program will be on a first come, first served basis. The maximum reimbursement made to any homeowner under this program will be 50% of the cost of the initial installation of either an overhead sewer or anti-back-up device, but not to exceed \$5,000. Only those costs associated with the initial installation of either an overhead sewer or sanitary check valve shall be considered eligible for reimbursement. While the sanitary check valve device is generally less expensive than an overhead sanitary sewer, it is not failsafe.

The Village Board shall retain the sole and exclusive discretion to determine the funding for each fiscal year.

ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS

To be eligible for this program, the applicant must meet all of the following conditions:

1. The applicant must be the owner of record for a single family home that was built before 1970 and is not currently protected with either overhead sewers or an anti-back-up device.
2. The reimbursement request must be for the initial installation of an overhead sewer or check valve device. The cost of repair, replacement or maintenance of an existing system is not eligible for reimbursement.
3. **The property owner must arrange for a pre-construction inspection, to be performed by the Village or its authorized agent, to locate any prohibited sources of stormwater inflow or infiltration to the sanitary sewer system. If any illicit connections or infiltrations are found during this inspection, the property owner will be solely responsible for their correction, to the satisfaction of the Village, and must arrange for a re-inspection by the Village.**
4. The property owner or qualified contractor acting on the owner's behalf shall procure all necessary permits from the Village of Streamwood for the required work. All work must comply with the Sewer Code, including all

inspections, contractor bonds or licenses. The property owner/contractor will be responsible for scheduling all necessary inspections. No reimbursements will be made for work that does not pass all required inspections.

5. The application for reimbursement must be submitted with the permit application. The application will be provided by the Director of Public Works.
6. The application for reimbursement shall include a waiver, signed by the owner of record waiving any and all claims against the Village for damages or injuries of any kind arising from the installation, operation, maintenance or repair of the overhead sewer or anti-back-up device. The statement of the waiver shall be prescribed by the Village.
7. No reimbursements will be made until the work has been completed and has passed the final inspection as required by the Sewer Code and the Streamwood Building Code.
8. No reimbursements will be made unless the property owner provides the Village with evidence in the form of a signed and sworn contractor's statement certifying that the contractor has been paid in full for the completed work.