



**WATER IS OUR GREATEST
NATURAL RESOURCE.**

The City of Perrysburg's
SANITARY SEWER HOMEOWNER GRANT

HOMEOWNER GRANT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Some homes in the City of Perrysburg have clear water draining to the city sanitary sewer, for a number of reasons. During the sewer separation projects to separate the old combined sewers, the City did not require homeowners to reroute their clear water connections to the newly built storm sewers. Allowing clear water connections to the sanitary sewer is now in violation of the Clean Water Act and City ordinances. The City wants to encourage home owners to remove the clear water connections to the sanitary sewer, as a cost-efficient way to reduce the excess flow in the sanitary sewer. A homeowner grant for this purpose has been offered since 1993. City Council has recently increased the grant funds available to make the program more attractive. Ordinance No. 38-2020 passed on December 5, 2020 is attached.

WHAT GRANT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

The program provides funding for an 80% grant up to \$10,000 of project costs, meaning up to an \$8,000 grant. If no storm sewer tap is available, a storm sewer tap must be installed as part of the project, and an 80% grant is payable up to \$15,000 of project costs, meaning up to a \$12,000 grant.

WHAT IS REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR THE GRANT?

Simply fill out and sign a one page form. The City of Perrysburg Department of Public Utilities can help you determine if your sump pump, footer tiles, or yard drains are connected to the sanitary sewer. Call 419.872.8050 for more information.

WHAT ARE THE RULES FOR THIS GRANT PROGRAM?

- There is a limit of one grant per property for the lifetime of this program.
- Grant applicants must be owners of the property where the work will be done.
- The City will inspect the premises and provide the homeowner with a description of the scope of the work which would be eligible for the grant prior to the homeowner obtaining estimates.
- At least two written estimates of the construction cost must be submitted to the City. No work may be started until the grant agreement is signed by both the homeowner and the City.
- Contractors must meet the City's sewer contractor's bonding requirements.
- If a new storm sewer tap is needed in connection with the work, the City will waive the storm sewer tap fee.
- The City must be notified of the date work is to begin and of the construction schedule. The City will inspect the work periodically during construction.
- Any changes in the work from the original estimate must be approved by the City in advance if it results in a larger grant than originally approved.
- The City will perform a final inspection after completion of all work.
- Reimbursement will be made by the City to the homeowner based on paid receipts submitted to the City.

