

There are brochures covering a wide variety of topics available at City Hall and on the city's website at www.elmhurst.org. You can also call the Department of Public Works at (630)-530-3020 and request that we mail you a brochure. Here is a listing of the brochures available:

Frozen Water Pipes: Causes & Methods of Prevention

Wastewater Back-Up: Causes & Methods of Prevention

Cross Connection Control Program: Preventing Contamination of the Public Water Supply

Tree Planting & Replacement Program

Sump Pump Disconnect Program

Solid Waste Recycling Program

Water Quality Report

Guide to Cost-Sharing Programs in the Department of Public Works



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Here is the information you request-

Public Works
Department

Guide to Cost-Sharing Programs



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Guide to Cost-Sharing Programs

The City of Elmhurst provides financial assistance to residents who wish to take certain preventative measures on their property. Problems such as dealing with storm water, sewer lines, deteriorating sidewalks, unsatisfactory water drainage and damage to driveway approaches are included in the set of cost-sharing programs provided to homeowners in the City of Elmhurst. This brochure offers some information about the cost-saving programs available to Elmhurst residents.

This program was established to provide financial assistance to homeowners who

Check Valve Reimbursement Program

desire to protect their home from flooding during a heavy rain event. Eligible homeowners may qualify for a 50% cost sharing, up to a maximum of \$3000 for installing check valve system which can protect their basements from sanitary sewer-backup. The perimeter drain tile or any source of clear water must be disconnected from the sanitary sewer line. A sump pump and pit shall be installed to collect the clear water and discharge it to the front or rear yard. This is required in order to be eligible for reimbursement under the program.

Residential Stormwater Management Incentive Program

The City supports residents to proactively manage stormwater on their private property by incorporating sustainable stormwater management practices that reduce the stormwater run off to adjacent properties and the storm sewer. This program also helps reduce the standing water due to natural low spots. The incentive program is allocated to help single family homes and City participation for eligible improvements is 100%, up to \$5,000.

Storm Sewer Extension Program

This program was designed to address issues of public safety or that present an immediate flooding concern for a homeowner or neighbor's structure. Work is done on a 50/50 cost-sharing basis, up to \$5000. Work must be completed by a private contractor approved by the City prior to commencing work. Additional fee waiving opportunity may apply.

Private Sanitary Sewer Lines

Currently, homeowners are responsible for the maintenance of the sanitary sewer line from their home to the City's sewer main, including root damage. The City provides for a one-time reimbursement to homeowners of 50% of their costs for private sanitary sewer line repairs within the City right-of-way (not to exceed \$2,000). Homeowners are still required to hire their own contractor and obtain applicable permits. Normal root cutting is not covered.

Overhead Sewer Program

The Overhead Sewer Program was established to provide financial assistance to homeowners who desire to protect their home from flooding during a heavy rain event. Eligible homeowners may qualify for a 50% cost sharing, up to a maximum of \$5,000 for installing an overhead sewer system which can protect their basements from sewer backup. Some modified overhead sewer designs may also qualify.

Did you know...

Some of these programs are provided on a first come, first serve basis and may have a waiting list. Be sure to inquire early in the year!

Sidewalk Cost Sharing Program

This program provides for replacement of existing sidewalks that may pose a safety hazard. It also provides for construction of new sidewalk on property side yards for the residents with corner properties. The shared cost for replacement of unsafe existing sidewalk squares is approximately 50/50. The City assumes the entire cost when sidewalk squares are damaged by parkway tree roots and whenever work is adjacent to a corner where handicapped ramps are installed. Additionally, owners can elect for the City to replace other sidewalk squares that may not pose a safety threat but are not aesthetically pleasing. These replacements will be done at the cost of the owner.

Driveway Approach Damage by Parkway Trees

There are several criteria necessary for the City to provide assistance in this program. There must be differential settlement of two inches or more that has created a safety hazard. The damage must have been created by a parkway tree (cracks alone in driveways are not considered a hazard). The City's share is 1/3, the homeowner's share is 2/3, and the City covers the cost of the permit fee. The City will cost share only for that portion of the approach damaged by a parkway tree.

For additional information on these programs, contact the **Elmhurst Public Works Department** at **630-530-3020** or visit us on our website at www.elmhurst.org and search Keyword "Cost-Sharing".