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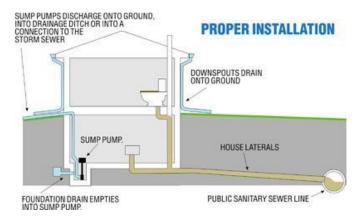
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**CITY OF ST. THOMAS** 

BASEMENT FLOODING GRANT PROGRAM

UPDATE YOUR
HOME'S DRAINAGE
SYSTEMS & PROTECT
YOUR HOME FROM
SEWER BACK-UPS

Further information and application forms can be found on the City website: www.stthomas.ca/basementflooding



Refer to By-Law 84-2017, for the complete requirements and for information on how to become eligible for this program





Downspouts must be disconnected from foundation drains & be capped in order to qualify.



1. REDIRECT FOUNDATION DRAINS AND INSTALL A SUMP PUMP.

Have a sump pump installed in your home and disconnect the foundation drains from the sanitary sewer by a certified plumbing contractor and receive up to 90% of the cost up to a maximum of \$5,000.

## 2. INSTALL A BACKWATER VALVE.

Have a backwater valve installed in your home by a certified plumbing contractor and receive up to 50% of the cost to a maximum of \$750.00.

Removing stormwater from the sanitary system will help to:

- Prevent basement flooding.
- Reduce sanitary sewer overflow during rain events.
- Defer expanding our treatment plant,
   a \$30M cost.
- Reduce the energy and costs of municipal wastewater treatment system since rainwater is being diverted from the treatment plant.
- Improve the water quality of lakes, rivers and streams.
- Replenish & protect groundwater.
- Increase the value of your home.

- The owner or their authorized agent is required to apply to the City for funding <u>prior</u> to any work being carried out, using the Application Form provided by Environmental Services.
- The homeowner obtains 2 quotes from licensed plumbers or drainage contractors & submits them to Environmental Services with a complete Application Form. Make sure to separate out the cost for each portion of work.
- City Staff will review the application and notify the applicant if grant funds have been approved for their project.
- 4. Once an application has been approved, the applicant or Contractor obtains the necessary permits and locates to carry out the work.
- Once the work has been completed, the applicant or Contractor must arrange an inspection by the City.
- 6. Within 6 months of receiving the grant approval, the owner or their agent must submit the final paid invoice from the Contractor.
- 7. City staff will collect & review all the necessary paperwork, after which time, a rebate cheque will be sent within 30 days of submission

