

## CITY OF EDMONTON DRAINAGE SERVICES **BACKWATER VALVE SUBSIDY PROGRAMS**

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The Backwater Valve Subsidy Program provides a reimbursement to qualified residential property owners for a permanently installed backwater valve. This valve is normally installed on either the main sewer line where the sanitary sewer exits the house or on various branch line locations to prevent sanitary sewer backup.

### **There are two types of Subsidy Programs:**

#### **1. The regular Backwater Valve Subsidy Program.**

This program applies when a residential homeowner has experienced basement sanitary sewer backup during a storm related event. The homeowner simply calls **311** to report the basement flooding.

##### **To qualify the following criteria must be met:**

- The sanitary sewer backup occurred as a result of a major storm event.
- The residence is a single family dwelling or a separately serviced side by side duplex dwelling.
- The dwelling was built prior to 1989.
- The property is serviced directly from the City's sewer system.
- A subsidy has not previously been provided for the same location.

#### **2. The Proactive Backwater Valve Subsidy Program.**

This program applies to homeowners who have not experienced sanitary sewer backup, when funding is available. The homeowner must submit a request including property address, name and phone number to Drainage Services.

- **Email:** [BackWaterValve@edmonton.ca](mailto:BackWaterValve@edmonton.ca)
- **Fax:** 780-496-3601
- **Phone:** 780-496-5454
- **Mail:** The City of Edmonton  
Drainage Services  
5th Floor, Century Place  
9803 – 102A Avenue NW  
Edmonton, AB T5J 3A3

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Homeowners qualifying for either of the programs will receive a letter of authorization identifying their eligibility for a subsidy and the applicable requirements.

All proper permits and inspection approvals are required prior to any subsidy being provided by the City.