



# Water Bill Brief

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**From the Office of  
Mayor  
Gina Cunningham**



Dear Woodridge Neighbors,

On Monday, June 20, Woodridge observed the one-year anniversary of the EF-3 tornado that devastated our community. As part of this observance, Woodridge had a moment of silence, and the Village Board and I passed a proclamation declaring June 20, 2022, as “Woodridge Strong Day.” The tornado affected our neighbors, businesses, and community, and it continues to reverberate today – many people are still in need. I want to extend our gratitude for the generosity of the countless organizations, businesses, and volunteers who dedicate their time and compassion to our community in the aftermath of the devastating June 2021 natural disaster.

I am grateful for those who helped each other during a time of anguish. Our kind, welcoming, resilient community, and neighbors – near and far – joined to lend their helping hands with care and compassion. Let’s acknowledge the following first responders, community groups, and faith-based organizations who helped and served our community in the aftermath of the tornado:

*First responders and humanitarian organizations*

Emergency and 1<sup>st</sup> responders, Police, Fire, Public Works, The Village of Woodridge and our Mutual Aid Partners, Intergovernmental Agencies, the American Red Cross, and COAD.

*Community groups*

The West Suburban Community Pantry, Woodridge Neighbors Helping Neighbors (W NHN) case management, Rotary Club of Woodridge, Kiwanis Club of Woodridge, Lions Club of Darien, DuPage County, DuPage PADS, Morton Arboretum, Good Samaritan Hospital, and the 100 Women Who Care – Naperville, and local scouts.

*Faith-based organizations*

Knights of Columbus, Lutheran Emergency Response Team (LERT), St. Scholastica Parish, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Trinity Lutheran Church, Prince of Peace Church, Christ the Servant Church, Woodridge United Methodist, Ultimate Faith Christian Church, First Congregational Church, Tzu Chi Buddhist Foundation, and Catholic Charities.

It is essential to recognize and thank ALL of the incredible helping hands, our area businesses, restaurants, generous donors, and the amazing volunteers from W NHN. Through ongoing neighborly outreach, W NHN Disaster Recovery is now an official organization with a dedicated board of directors. The W NHN mission is “to unite the Woodridge community around disaster recovery and to provide disaster relief and help to our Woodridge neighbors whose lives have been adversely affected by a recent disaster.” Our neighbors still need our help, and since the tornado, community members continue to experience challenges, such as food insecurity and housing displacement. With a monetary donation – no matter how great or small – W NHN is able to make a difference in our community.



For more information about W NHN and to donate to the organization, please visit [woodridgenhn.org](http://woodridgenhn.org) or scan the QR code. I hope you and your family have a great summer, and please remember to support our businesses by shopping and dining locally in Woodridge.

Mayor Gina

Proud Mayor of the Village of Woodridge  
A Tree City USA Community since 1992



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## Woodridge Water Quality Report

Residents can view the most current Water Quality Report at [www.woodridgeil.gov/waterqualityreport](http://www.woodridgeil.gov/waterqualityreport) to learn more about your drinking water. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

## 2021 Woodridge Police Department Annual Report

The 2021 Annual Report contains highlights of the many accomplishments, initiatives, and programs involving the dedicated men and women of the Woodridge Police Department. Some of the content includes:

- Message from the Chief of Police, Brian Cunningham
- Public safety statistics, crime trends, and budget
- New employees, retirements, and coronavirus challenges faced in 2021
- Awards and recognitions



The report is available on the Woodridge Police homepage.

## Government meetings—meeting information, agendas, and minutes

The Village of Woodridge website homepage contains a Village event calendar that lists Village meetings and other community events.

In addition, the website Appointed Board & Commissions has meeting agendas, minutes, and board meeting videos. Please see the website [www.woodridgeil.gov](http://www.woodridgeil.gov) to view information about government meetings.

## Now in effect: watering restrictions between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Did you know that the Woodridge Village Code water conservation measures are in effect right now? From May 15 through September 15 of each year, the Village code says lawn sprinkling should not occur on consecutive days and between 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. when evaporation is at its highest. Residents with new landscaping may water during the restricted hours but only with a handheld device.

## The Conservation Foundation tips for a lush, green yard

Summer is the perfect time to consider the following tips for a healthy yard that can reduce pollution while saving you time and money.

- Plant native flower gardens where you have room in your yard. You can create wildlife habitat, clean our water and reduce the need for lawn chemicals and mowing.
- Let your lawn grow to at least three inches tall before mowing. This helps the grass compete with weeds. A mulching mower helps return nutrients back to the lawn, reducing the need for fertilizer.
- Instead of applying weed killer to your entire lawn, pull weeds by hand or spot treat individual plants.

Thanks to The Conservation Foundation for providing these tips and benefits.

## Waste and recycling services updates

Groot will continue to collect yard waste through December 15. Refuse and yard waste stickers incurred a ten-cent increase on the anniversary of the fifth year of the current contract, June 1, 2022. The new cost of a sticker is \$3.90. The Clean-up Week is scheduled for the fall, during the first full week of October on your regularly scheduled pick-up day. In 2022, the Clean-Up Week will start on October 3. The Village has worked closely with the waste collection industry to maintain a program that meets the needs of residents and is environmentally responsible.