



Water Bill Brief

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From the Office of Mayor Gina Cunningham



Dear Woodridge Neighbors and
Businesses,

\$3,582,923.

That's the amount of funds the Local Government Distribute Fund (LGDF) distributed to Woodridge in 2020. The LGDF is the part of your income tax that you pay to the State of Illinois that is then distributed to each municipality in the state. The amount that each municipality receives is based on the community's population.

Woodridge and other Illinois communities are at risk of losing LGDF funding as part of the State of Illinois's budget deliberations. The majority of LGDF helps to fund our core government services. For example, services include Public Works (e.g., road maintenance, forestry, stormwater) and the Woodridge Police Department (e.g., crime prevention, patrol, training, and Community/School Outreach), along with economic development programs. While LGDF does not cover all of these expenses, our community would struggle to support these critical services without these funds.

Woodridge, together with communities across Illinois, is asking legislators to restore the LGDF to the 10 percent of income tax proceeds. As a part of this, you can help amplify the message to restore LGDF funding by contacting our state senators and state representatives. The QR code at the end of this message is to find your elected officials. Share your support for HB 4169 and SB 3010 to restore LGDF funding to our municipalities.

Woodridge Neighbors Helping Neighbors: Disaster Recovery

Woodridge Neighbors Helping Neighbors ("W NHN") started as a grassroots organization created out of our community's heartfelt response to the June tornado. W NHN is a dedicated group of Woodridge neighbors, non-profit groups, religious organizations, and local businesses – all of whom came together in the spirit of helping those whose lives were devastated by the June tornado and its impacts. The W NHN group has dedicated hundreds of hours in organizing and hosting fourteen "Friend-raisers" / "Give" events.

The goal is to connect with our neighbors in need and assist them, including emotional support, food, clothing, gift cards, and immediate access to social services, case management, and emergency housing.

I am pleased to report that W NHN recently constituted its Board of Directors and formally established the organization as a 501(c)(3) non-profit. It is my pleasure to introduce the Board of Directors and thank them for their generous support and leadership:

- Dianne O'Donnell and Glenn Mazade Co-Chairs
- L. Jay Tiede
- Pamela Beavers
- Randon Gardley
- Chris Hannigan-Wiehn
- Stacy DeLeon

On behalf of the community, we thank all of the incredible volunteers and partners who have given so much in service to our neighbors and community. More information will be shared on our disaster recovery and rebuilding initiatives.

Congratulations to the Village's Human Relations Advisory Committee

On behalf of our Village, Village Board, and myself, we thank each of the 17 volunteers for serving our Village in this important capacity. The purpose of the Committee is to help facilitate meaningful connections and conversations around diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). The Committee will serve as DEI champions and create opportunities for engagement and celebration within our community.

I'm very proud of all of the kind, excellent works in our community, and wanted to share them with you.

Mayor Gina Cunningham

Proud Mayor of the Village of Woodridge
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Woodridge Water Quality Report

Residents can view the most current Water Quality Report at 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.

Water Billing – Financial Assistance

The past two years have been difficult for many of us, especially financially. If you need help paying a water bill (or other costs), here are some resources you can reach out to:

Lisle Township: 630-968-1183

Downers Grove Township: 630-719-6610

Love Christian Clearing House: 630-512-8665

DuPage County: 630-407-6500

Public Works Snow Response

Woodridge has incredible employees that work to keep our Village streets safe and accessible for first responders, residents, and other motorists when a snow storm hits. Thank you to everyone for giving the plows the space to do their job this winter. Fun fact: The amount of miles driven by Public Works snow plow drivers during the February 4 storm is almost equivalent to driving from Woodridge to Zurich, Switzerland or driving to Las Vegas, back to Woodridge, and then back to Las Vegas. Looking forward to spring flowers!

By the numbers:

4,663	Miles Driven
24	Trucks in the Fleet
48	Hour Duration of Snow Response
9	Inches of Snow

Thank you, Snowfighters! www.woodridgeil.gov

Introduction: New Woodridge Police Department Social Worker, Felicia Acosta, LSW

The Woodridge Police Department introduced Felicia Acosta to the Woodridge community earlier this month.

Acosta is from NEDFYS (Northeast DuPage Family

and Youth Services) and will provide social work services to Woodridge residents referred through the Woodridge Police Department or the Village of Woodridge. She is bilingual (Spanish) and will render social service assistance and follow-up counseling services. Acosta earned a Master's degree in social work with specializing in gerontology. Fun fact: she was on a popular TV car show with her family.



Yard Waste Collection Begins April 1

Yard waste collection officially resumes on April 1 and continues through December 15. Residents can dispose of yard waste at the curb on their normal refuse collection day. One sticker is required for every 33 gallon unlined container or yard waste paper bag. Brush should be packaged in bundles no more than 4 feet in length and 2 feet in diameter. Each bundle must have a yard waste sticker attached and cannot weigh more than 50 pounds.

Residents can also use environmentally friendly alternatives to dispose of yard waste. These options include mulching and composting. Visit DuPage County's website, www.dupageco.org, for information on composting.

Woodridge 2022 Water Rates

Effective rates for the Village of Woodridge for all water billed on and after January 1, 2022, are as follows:

- *Water:* \$8.28 per 1,000 gallons
- *Sewer Maintenance Fee:* \$0.90 per 1,000 gallons
- *Capital Improvement Fee:* \$0.80 per 1,000 gallons
- *Fixed Maintenance Fee:* varies by meter size