

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant Flushing Public Works will be undertaking annual flushing of fire hydrants connected to the St. Clair Township Water Distribution System during the hours of:

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

April 2026—October 2026

During this maintenance procedure you may notice some water discolouration using your taps, flushing toilets, doing laundry, etc, as some sediment may be drawn into your residence. We recommend that you run the cold water tap for a few minutes or until the discolouration disappears.

Sewer Main Flushing

Sewer Main Flushing Public Works will be flushing sewer mains connected to the St. Clair Township Sewer System, during the hours of:

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

April 2026—October 2026

During this maintenance procedure, you may notice some gurgling noises from your drains. If conditions persist after 24-48 hours of normal use, please notify Public Works at 519-867-2993.

**Water Utility
Appointments**

St. Clair Township By-Law 11 of 2025 requires at least 48 hours notice in advance of scheduling appointments with the Public Works department to avoid service fees. Appointments are booked on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Go Paperless!

Sign up for e-billing at <https://bills.stclaiirtownship.ca/>
 All you need is your water bill to sign up!

**Municipal Election October 2026**

There will be a Municipal Election within the Township of St. Clair on October 26th, 2026. For the first time in our history, the Township will be using Vote-by-Internet voting method. Each registered voter will be mailed a Voter's Information Kit which will contain your personal identification code which you will use to cast your ballot.

To make sure you're eligible to vote, and on the Voters list, please visit RegisterToVote-ON.ca!

Yard Waste**Clear the Road**

Yard Waste collection begins April 20th please check the Township website or download the Recycle Coach App to find out your zone and collection dates—never miss another pickup!



It's that time of year again when the streetsweeper is out clearing the roads of debris! We would like to remind all homeowners to clear recreational sports equipment (e.g. basketball nets, goalie nets, etc.) from roads and streets. This includes sports nets that are located on the street surface near the back of the curb. A verbal and/or written warning will be issued to homeowners with sports nets on or near the road. Failure to remove sports nets and other equipment from roads and streets will result in this equipment being collected by the Public Works Department and stored at the Public Works Operational Centers.

IC&I's Recycling

Circular Materials Ontario (CMO) recycling collection (that transitioned in 2023) does not collect blue box materials from non-eligible properties after Jan 1, 2026, as the province has not included them in the program. Non-eligible properties include all Industrial, commercial or institutional (IC&I's) properties such as:

- Industrial and commercial properties and Business Improvement Areas (not including residential units on the property).
- Commercial farms (not including a residential home on the farm property)
- Places of Worship (not including a residential home on the property)
- Daycares
- Campgrounds & trailer-parks for temporary stay
- Municipal buildings or facilities
- Not for profit organizations, shelters
- Post-Secondary Institutions (public or private)



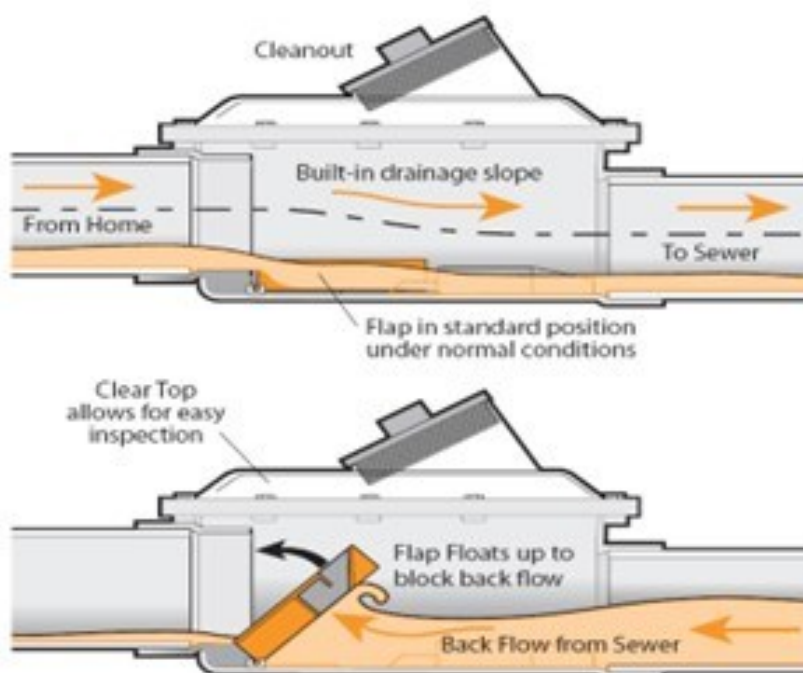
In order to continue collection of blue box materials for IC&I properties, St Clair Township has entered into an agreement with Emterra Environmental to collect recycling materials through a separate program and schedule. The new pickup date for these properties will be every other Friday starting January 16th, 2026.

Backwater Valve

A backwater valve or backflow prevention device is equipped with a check valve that will close when the sanitary sewer system is surcharged. During this time, the residence will be cut off from the sanitary sewer. When the sanitary sewer is able to accept flow from the lateral, the valve will open and the lateral will drain into the sanitary sewer.

Homeowners who have experienced sanitary backup in their home are encouraged to install a backwater valve on their sanitary laterals as a solution to future sanitary sewer backups or flooded basements.

The below diagram depicts how the valve stops the sewage from coming back into your home.



Backwater Valve Assistance Policy

The Township of St Clair Council has approved a Sanitary Backwater Valve Financial Assistance Policy for existing buildings within the Municipality. Please refer to the township website for detailed information and a link to the application form.

<https://www.stclairtownship.ca/government/departments-2/water-sewer/backwater-valve-sewer-line-protection/>

Public Works News letter

May Edition

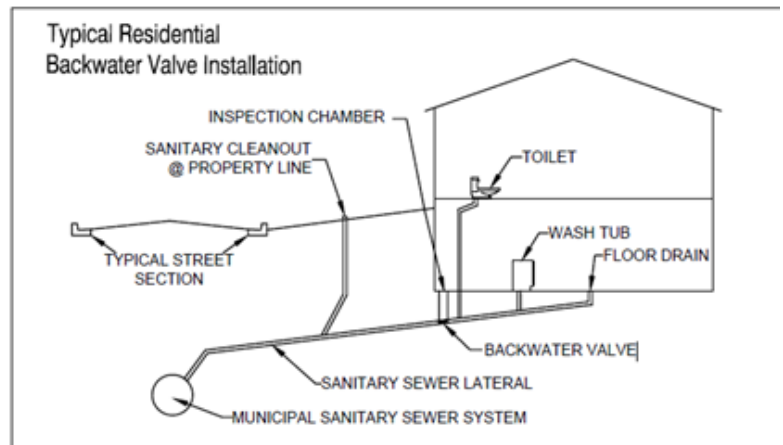
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Email: stclairpw@stclaiertownship.ca
Website: www.stclaiertownship.ca
After Hours Phone: 1-888-441-4204

Backwater Valve

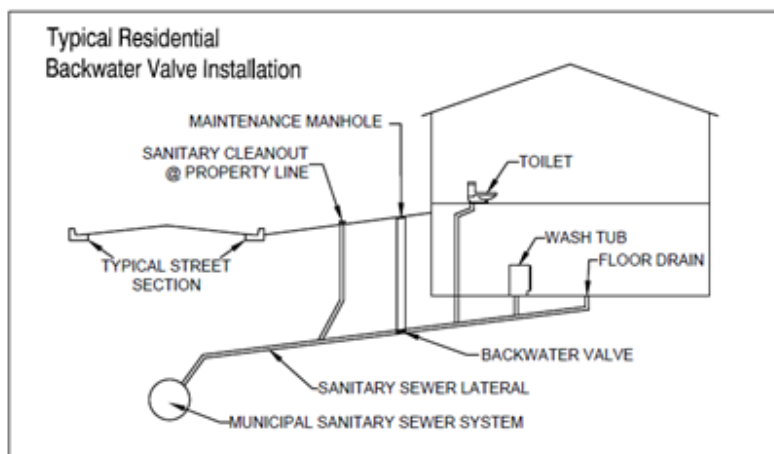
There are two options available for backwater valves and will depend on homeowner preference.

Option 1: Backwater valve installation inside the foundation of the house

Option 1 outlines how a backflow preventer would be installed within the foundation of the house.



Option 2: Backwater valve installation outside the foundation of the house



Option 2 outlines the backflow preventer installed outside the home.

SLWC Program for the Township of St Clair

In addition to the backwater valve financial assistance program, the Township has also approved the National Service Line Warranty Program. This is a voluntary warranty protection plan for sewage lines in the event of a failure.

This warranty is offered at affordable rates, and covers more than traditional policies. For more information or enroll in this service please refer to the St Clair Township Website or call SLWC at 1-844-616-8444 or visit www.slwofc.ca

FOODCYCLER

St Clair Township continues to offer the Food Cycler Appliances (food waste processing units) at subsidized rates.

The ECO 3 (3.5L) is priced at \$175.00, while the Eco 5 (5L) is priced at \$325.00. Each product includes additional filters, you can also purchase reusable filters through the FoodCycler website.

This product aims to reduce the amount of food waste diverted to landfills and make composting available to everyone.

There are limited quantities of both so get them while they last!



This is an easy to use, odourless closed-loop compost alternative that speeds up the decomposition process that you can use as a fertilizer and add to your garden, lawn or existing composting system!

Both units feature the powerful Vortech Grinding System that can process nearly all food waste.

FOODCYCLER

PRODUCTS ECO 3 AND ECO 5 SPECIFICATIONS

Both products boast up to 90% food waste volume reduction and up to 95% greenhouse gas reduction. These products features refillable carbon filters to eliminate odours.

ECO 3

Product Specifications

Bucket Capacity	3.5L
Processing Time	4-9 hours
Dimensions (WxDxH)	9" x 13" x 11" (230mm x 331mm x 282mm)
Progress Indicators	4-Phase LED
Power Consumption	~0.9kWh per cycle
Filtration	1 refillable filter
Vent Location	Top
Transmission Torque	20 ft lbs (max)
Color Options	Grey Pure white

ECO 5

Product Specifications

Bucket Capacity	5L
Processing Time	4-9 hours
Dimensions (WxDxH)	13.5" x 10.9" x 13.8" (342mm x 276mm x 350mm)
Progress Indicators	Real-time progress tracking LEDs
Power Consumption	~1.5kWh per cycle
Filtration	1 refillable filter
Vent Location	Top
Transmission Torque	24 ft lbs (max)
Color Options	Grey White

To learn more, please email: stclairpw@stclaiirtownship.ca or call: 519-867-2993.