

A KEY PART OF  
YOUR PROPERTY  
INVESTMENT:  
  
SEWER LATERAL  
REPAIR PROGRAM

The Sewer Lateral Repair Program plays an important role in providing a safe and healthy environment for the residents of Black Jack, and will assist homeowners in maintaining property values.

To view the entire Sewer Lateral Repair Program Policy, please visit our website at [www.cityofblackjack.com](http://www.cityofblackjack.com)

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## CITY OF BLACK JACK'S SEWER LATERAL REPAIR PROGRAM

The Sewer Lateral Repair Program commenced on January 1, 2003 and does not apply to defects existing in sewer laterals prior to January 1, 2003.

### WHAT IS THE COST?

The City of Black Jack will pay 75% of cost covered by a sewer lateral repair, paid directly to the contractor. The City, in no event under this repair program, will pay more than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for any single repair/replacement project. The overall cost for the corrective work shall not exceed the amount of the lowest approved bid.

The property owner shall pay all of the costs of the repair/replacement not covered by this repair program.

### WHAT IS A SEWER LATERAL?

A sewer lateral is defined as that portion of the sewage system which carries household wastes to the Metropolitan Sewer District and which lies between the structure foundation wall or exterior wall, if construction is non-traditional, and the sewer main. A sewer lateral is considered defective when there is sufficient evidence, to the satisfaction of the City, to prove that the lateral is damaged.

### WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I SUSPECT A BLOCKAGE?

First, contact a plumber or drain-layer licensed by St. Louis County to have the line cabled. If cabling does not result in clearing the line, the property owner must then have a televised inspection performed, and a sketch prepared showing the approximate location of the defect. After completion, the owner should contact the City of Black Jack to obtain an application and instructions for participating in the program.

### WHAT IS THE RESIDENTS RESPONSIBILITIES?

All of your City bills (i.e. refuse, alarm charges, court fees, etc.) and St. Louis County Real Estate taxes must be paid to participate in the repair program.

If the property owner wants to make a claim under this repair program, the property owner shall deliver to the Dept. of Public Works a completed application, a copy of the paid cabling bill, the sewer lateral television inspection video, sketch, at least three (3) bids from a drain layer licensed by St. Louis County and any other information requested by the Dept. of Public Works.

The homeowner is responsible for contacting their insurance company to determine if any or all of the sewer lateral repair is covered by their homeowner's insurance or similar policy. The homeowner is required to notify the City of any payment received from the insurance company which covers any part of the sewer lateral repair. All such insurance payments will be deducted from the City's portion of the approved repair cost.