

# Water & Sewer Service Updates

## Why are rates increasing?

#### WATER PURCHASED:

This is the direct cost of buying water from the DuPage Water Commission. No additional fee is added to this rate.

#### LOCAL WATER DELIVERY:

This covers the expenses of delivering water to your home or business.

#### SEWER/WASTEWATER TREATMENT:

This charge is for treating the wastewater that comes from homes and businesses.

#### **DEBT SERVICE CHARGE:**

This part of your bill pays off the principal and interest on large projects completed in 2009 and 2010, as well as low-interest loans from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) for ongoing or planned projects.

#### CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGE:

This charge is for the necessary upgrades and maintenance of water systems now and in the future.

### Senior Citizen Water Bill Discount

To be eligible for the Senior Discount, one needs to meet all of the following requirements for the property for which the senior is applying:

- The senior is at least age 65,
- The property is the primary residence of the senior,
- The property is not used to generate income,
- The senior is the name on the water bill,

• The senior is the name on the property tax bill or lease agreement. Applications for the Senior Discount can be picked up at the Linda Jackson Center for Senior Citizens, 260 Civic Center Plaza, during regular business hours.