



City of Lansing Basement Backup Prevention Program (B2P2)

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Program Brief

A new program for Lansing residents proactively addresses the issue of basement sewer backups and offers assistance to protect families from future backups. The Basement Backup Prevention Program (B2P2) provides preventive solutions for residential sewer backups. Through this program, eligible property owners who have experienced sewer backups can receive assistance.

In 2013, the city will launch a pilot program, benefiting about 40 homes at a maximum cost of \$4,750 per home. Targeted homeowners will receive an invitation in the mail to participate. Those interested, but not invited during the pilot period, will be placed on a waiting list.

The City of Lansing wants to make the program as easy as 1-2-3! To apply for the Basement Backup Prevention Program during the pilot period, homeowners during the pilot period can complete a simple form that accompanies the initial mailing, fill it out online at www.lansingmi.gov/basements (a dedicated landing page); call the B2P2 HelpLine at (517) 853-7867 or email to Basements@DCEngPC.com to begin the eligibility and enrollment process.

Solutions

Depending on the home's configuration, several different approaches are available to protect the basement. Homeowners are encouraged to talk with a licensed plumber to determine the best approach for their home.

Contracting

The B2P2 requires contracting with a licensed plumber who is qualified to pull plumbing permits. Depending upon the work required, a homeowner may need to hire multiple contractors to complete various parts of the project.

Subsidy & Reimbursement

The City will reimburse property owners for eligible work in accordance with the following schedule:

- 100% of the first \$1,000 eligible (\$1,000)
- 75% of the next \$5,000 eligible (\$3,750)
- Maximum Subsidy of \$4,750