



VILLAGE OF GODFREY

Illinois American Water has provided the Village of Godfrey with the technical and financial resources to meet current and future EPA requirements.

VILLAGE OF GODFREY WASTEWATER ACQUISITION

The Village of Godfrey is located in Madison County, in an existing Illinois American Water Alton District service area, totaling more than 42,000 customers. Illinois American Water provides wastewater services to more than 6,000 customers in Godfrey. For years, the Village faced mounting regulatory and financial pressures driven by the need to modernize infrastructure, meet environmental mandates and maintain service quality.

CHALLENGES

- **Rates:** The existing system was operating at a financial disadvantage. Based on the existing rate structure, funds were not available to make necessary improvements to infrastructure.
- **Regulatory:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) had issued a Consent Decree related to the Village of Godfrey's Sanitary Sewer Overflows.
- **Financial:** The Village of Godfrey faced a significant financial burden in order to make the necessary improvements to meet EPA's Administrative Order on Consent.

SOLUTIONS

Elected Officials chose to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to sell its assets and relieve their operational responsibilities related to the Consent Decree. Through the RFP process, Illinois American Water was selected by the Village of Godfrey as the best long-term solution provider for its residents.

LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE

- **Financial:** The Village received \$13.55 million for its wastewater assets after regulatory approval and at close of sale. This financial gain relieved the Village of capital improvement responsibilities necessary to comply with the EPA's Administrative Order on Consent.
- **Investment:** Since 2019, Illinois American Water has invested approximately \$30.88 million in the wastewater system to upgrade existing infrastructure and anticipates spending an additional \$32.2 million over the next five years.
- **Regulatory:** With an investment of more than \$20 million, including blower improvements at the Godfrey Wastewater Treatment Plant and the completion of improvements to the wastewater systems required by the Consent Decree, the system has an improved ability to maintain compliance with EPA regulations and improve quality and service for customers.

ILLINOIS AMERICAN WATER'S INVESTMENTS IN GODFREY - WASTEWATER

Year	Investment
2020	\$1.58 million
2021	\$4.98 million
2022	\$5.35 million
2023	\$10.53 million
2024	\$8.44 million
Total	\$30.88 million



"We've worked for Illinois American Water for decades now. We've done several hundreds of miles of water main for them over the past 20 to 25 years and beyond. There are multiple contractors right here in Godfrey that work for Illinois American Water. I think it's an integral part of what they do for the community - not just for the services they provide but also help stimulate our local economy."

-Travis Widman, President at Widman Construction