



# **BACKWATER VALVE SUBSIDY PROGRAM CRITERIA**

Effective March 1, 2018

## **Program Description**

EPCOR's Backwater Valve Subsidy Program is an assistance program to help customers offset some of the cost of the installation of a backwater valve.

A single subsidy amount up to \$800 may be provided for either an interior or exterior permanent installation of a backwater valve.

## **Who should apply for the program**

- Customers who have had previous basement flooding from sanitary sewer backup.
- Customers who own homes built before 1989.
- Customers who live in areas of Edmonton with previous neighbourhood flooding.

## **Program Criteria**

- The residential dwelling must be an existing home that does not already have an approved backwater valve on the sanitary sewer service.
- The subsidy is provided for residential dwellings only. Customers must own the residential building (single family or duplex) at the time of installation to be eligible.
- Residential dwellings must be individually serviced to the property line by a sanitary sewer pipe connected to the EPCOR sewer system.
- The customer must have a Backwater Valve Inspection (1 hour), performed by a Flood Prevention Advisor, at no cost, prior to any work being performed.
- Work completed prior to the date of inspection will not be eligible for the subsidy.
- The customer must receive approval for the installation, provided at the time of inspection, before any work is performed.
- Only the following valves will be subsidized:
  - Fullport Backwater Valve
  - FR-4 Fullport Retro Backwater Valve
  - Adapt-a-Valve
- All protection work must be performed by a licensed contractor/plumber under the terms and conditions of a plumbing permit.
- One (1) subsidy will be provided for a single residential dwelling.
- The Applicant(s) is responsible for filling out the Application Form (provided after approval) for the subsidy providing all the necessary documentation including:
  - Copy of the plumbing permit.
  - An invoice marked 'Paid in Full' from a licensed contractor/plumber verifying installation of an approved backwater valve detailing the model type installed.
  - Proof of post-installation inspection (copy of City of Edmonton sticker or photo).



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- Incomplete applications will be returned and will not be processed until all information is received.
- All work must be completed and all supporting documents must be received by EPCOR within six (6) months of the date of inspection approval.

### **Subsidy Conditions**

- The subsidy, up to eight hundred dollars (\$800), will be paid by cheque made payable to the Applicant(s).
- Subsidies are subject to available funding and are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. There are no guarantees to receive a subsidy.