



**Upper Montgomery Joint Authority**  
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**WHO ARE WE?**

Your local wastewater treatment plant

**WHAT DO WE DO?**

Transport sanitary sewer from your home to the treatment plant to be processed

**WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?**

'Clean' water is entering our sanitary sewer system causing manhole overflows and backups into businesses and homes.



**HOW DOES 'CLEAN' WATER GET INTO THE SEWER SYSTEM?**

Sump pumps, downspouts and foundation drains that are connected to the sanitary sewer system

**WHY IS THAT A PROBLEM?**

We are overloading the wastewater treatment plant with water that is already 'clean'. The increased usage creates increased costs at the treatment plant, which in-turn raises our quarterly sewer bills!

**WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP FIX THIS PROBLEM?**

Disconnect your sump pump, downspout or foundation drain from the sanitary sewer system!

**JUST THE FACTS!**

- ✓ A single sump pump or downspout can send over 7,000 gallons of 'clean' water into the sanitary sewer system in a 24 hour period – this is equivalent to the flow from 26 homes.
- ✓ An 8" sanitary sewer pipe can handle domestic wastewater flow from up to 200 homes, but only 8 sump pumps operating at a time.
- ✓ Treatment plant capacity is being taken up by 'clean' water.

**Please take a moment to complete and return the form below**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Borough \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

- I have a sump pump and would like it checked, I am not sure if it's connected to the sanitary sewer system
- I have a sump pump, but it does not discharge into the sanitary sewer system
- I do not have a sump pump