



# GET YOUR LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACED

## FLINT RESIDENTS:

The city of Flint needs your permission to replace your service line! Have you given the city consent?



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**SEPTEMBER 23, 2019** – The city of Flint’s FAST Start program is inspecting water service lines at Flint homes. If a service line is made of lead or galvanized steel, the city will replace it with a copper pipe. This will not cost you anything. Removing lead and galvanized steel pipes will protect the health of you and your family.

**THE CITY OF FLINT PLANS TO FINISH THE FAST START PROGRAM BY THE END OF 2019.** It’s important to give the city permission to replace your service line for free as soon as possible!

**MAKE SURE THE CITY HAS YOUR PERMISSION TO INSPECT YOUR SERVICE LINE.** You can request a permission form by visiting City Hall or going to [www.cityofflint.com](http://www.cityofflint.com). Click on “FAST Start Pipe Replacement Program” and then “FAST Start Online Opt-In Form.” This site will allow you to sign up to receive a permission form by email.

**MAKE SURE YOU HAVEN’T MISSED CITY OFFICIALS’ ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT YOU.** City records show that at some homes, no one has responded to requests to inspect a service line. If your home is on this list, you need to give the city permission to get a free pipe replacement. To find out if the city has tried to visit your home, visit [www.flintpiperemoval.com](http://www.flintpiperemoval.com) and type in your address, or call NRDC at [312-995-5906](tel:312-995-5906).

**QUESTIONS?** Call NRDC at [312-995-5906](tel:312-995-5906) or email us at [flintpiperemoval@gmail.com](mailto:flintpiperemoval@gmail.com) and we can try to help. You can also contact the city’s FAST Start office directly at [810-410-1133](tel:810-410-1133) or [faststart@cityofflint.com](mailto:faststart@cityofflint.com).

Flint is replacing lead pipes under a legal settlement agreement in a case brought by the Concerned Pastors for Social Action, Melissa Mays, the Natural Resources Defense Council, and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Michigan. They did not ask for money damages— just a solution to the lead contamination. The settlement requires the city to inspect and remove thousands of lead and galvanized steel service lines in Flint. This work is being paid for by the state of Michigan. The lawsuit does not provide all the justice that Flint residents deserve. But we believe it has been an important step toward making the city’s tap water safer. For more information about the settlement in this case, visit [www.nrdc.org/flint](http://www.nrdc.org/flint).

