



JANUARY 2025

# Community Connection

CITY OF WATERLOO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## LOOKING AHEAD

- Jan 20:** City Hall Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan 25:** Waterloo Chamber of Commerce Bourbon & Bags Bingo 7pm at St. Mary's Parish Center
- Jan 25:** Trivia Night 6pm at Camp Wartburg
- Jan 31-Feb 2 & Feb 7-9:** MASC presents "Crimes of the Heart" Various showtimes at Capitol Theatre
- Feb 15:** Trivia Night 7pm at Waterloo Sportsmans Club
- Feb 17:** City Hall Closed in Observance of President's Day

For more details, visit the city's website or scan the QR code: [www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/community-calendar](http://www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/community-calendar)



### Holiday Trash Pickup

There will be trash pickup on Monday, January 20th (MLK Day) and Monday, February 17th (President's Day).



### Radon Awareness

January is National Radon Awareness Month! Radon is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers and causes more than 20,000 deaths in the US annually. Radon is radiation and like all other forms of radiation, is completely invisible. Radon can cause extensive cell damage and creates the mutated cells that turn into cancer. Approximately 42% of Illinois homes have elevated radon levels.

**Please take action by testing your home.**  
Call Gloria Linnertz at 618-830-4660 for a \$10 test kit.

## NEW WATER TREATMENT FACILITY

The City of Waterloo is excited to announce the opening of our state-of-the-art water treatment facility, a milestone achievement of a comprehensive infrastructure project that also includes the construction of our new water tower, which was completed earlier this fall. This water treatment facility is designed to meet the needs of our growing population. With a processing capacity of 3.2 million gallons per day, the facility ensures safe, clean, and reliable water for residents and businesses throughout Waterloo.



Inside the new Water Treatment Facility.

For more information and to view the full Press Release, visit our website at [www.waterloo.il.us](http://www.waterloo.il.us).

## 2025 LARGE ITEM PICKUP DATES

The City of Waterloo has contracted with Reliable Sanitation to pickup household items that are not included in our regularly scheduled pickup, four times each year. A special truck will be used on these days. Such items to include are old appliances, furniture, etc. that are too large to be included in the regular pickup. Doors, compressors and electric motors must be removed from appliances.

Please keep large items and regular trash pickup separate. Items must be placed next to the curb and ready for pick up by 6:00 am. Limit 2 items per household.

Reliable Sanitation has split the city in half for large item pickup. A map showing the split and a list of items that are not allowed is available on our website at: [www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/trash-recycling/large-item-pickup/](http://www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/trash-recycling/large-item-pickup/)

Scheduled Dates for 2025:

- Section 1 (East of Market & North of HH Rd): Mondays, Mar 3, May 5, July 14, Oct 20
- Section 2 (West of Market & South of HH Rd): Thursdays, Mar 6, May 8, July 17, Oct 23

## CODE RED ALERTS

The City of Waterloo uses CODE RED Notification System to deliver important messages to residents, including issues such as boil water orders, planned power outages, water main breaks, etc. You may also choose to have Code Red automatically alert you when severe thunderstorm, tornado or winter storm warnings are determined by the National Weather Service.

**Residents must sign up for this service.** If you are not registered for this service, we have no way to directly contact you with these types of alerts. You will be asked to provide your phone number and home address so that notifications made only to selected areas will be accurate. The system can also send emails and text messages if desired. This information will only be used for Code Red purposes. You can register on our website at [www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/emergency-services/](http://www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/emergency-services/).

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