

Resilience to Climate-Related Challenges: Municipal grant for residential backflow prevention devices

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Municipal backwater valve grant following Storm Debby

Pincourt, August 21, 2024 — Following the significant flooding caused by Tropical Storm Debby on August 9, the Town of Pincourt has adopted a draft by-law to subsidize the installation and acquisition of backwater valves in residences. This by-law, crucial for enhancing our community's resilience to climate-related challenges, provides a subsidy of up to \$500 per residence. This program primarily targets residences affected by the recent floods but is also available to all homes in the city that are not yet equipped with this device.



Support for affected residents

Since August 9, the Town of Pincourt has made numerous efforts to support residents impacted by the storm. In addition to this new subsidy, the Town has suspended renovation permit fees for affected homeowners and deployed emotional support teams in the most severely impacted areas. These initiatives aim to ease the burden on residents during this difficult time and help them recover quickly.

In addition, the Town's teams continue to support residents by collecting and disposing of construction materials, sector by sector, that are normally destined to be deposited at the Écocentre by residents themselves. A special collection of bulk waste began today, in advance of the regular collection on August 28.

Solidarity with affected citizens

Mayor Claude Comeau, on behalf of himself and the municipal council, expressed his solidarity with affected citizens: "Our thoughts are with everyone who was impacted by the floods on August 9. The City of Pincourt stands with you, and we will continue to do everything we can to support you through this ordeal. By adopting this by-law, we demonstrate our commitment to helping our citizens adapt their homes to the realities we have been facing for several years. This challenge is another opportunity to prove our community's resilience, and together, we will overcome it."

The specific details of this subsidy will be communicated at the time of the final adoption of the by-law in September 2024. For further information, citizens are invited to consult the City's website and the B-Citi+ platform. Our Urban Planning team will be available to answer your questions once the program has been officially adopted.