SPRING IS COMING (EVENTUALLY!)

WHEN THE SNOW MELTS—WHERE WILL THE WATER GO?

Here are some tips to help make sure the water goes to the right place and not your basement!

Clear your nearest catch basin.

If the water can't find the storm drain, it will flood the street and nearby basements. Even a small channel to a catch basin will help keep things flowing.

Divert gutter downspouts to your lawn.

Adding water to the streets can increase flooding and wreak havoc on your local sewers, rivers and lakes.

Don't pump to the sewer – It's illegal!

If you have a sump pump, direct it outside to your lawn to avoid increased flooding.

Remove litter from snow.

When the snow melts, the litter won't, and it will end up polluting rivers, lakes, and beaches.

If you see flooding on the street, call your local Public Works Department.