

# BUFFALO

## SEWER AUTHORITY

Buffalo Sewer collects and treats wastewater to protect public health.

Wastewater includes water used from your:

- Sinks
- Tubs
- Shower Drains
- Washing machines
- Toilets

And surface runoff such as:

- Stormwater
- Snowmelt

The wastewater is captured and combined into one set of pipes that then flows to the Wastewater Treatment Facility.

At the Treatment Facility, the wastewater undergoes a series of treatment processes to remove pollutants before being safely discharged to the Niagara River.



## 2026 Sewer Rent Increase

Buffalo Sewer rate adjustments that took effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 adds less than \$2 per month for the average homeowner.

All real property within the City of Buffalo will be charged \$1.34 (up from \$1.29) per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

Rate increases help to address rising operational costs and to make essential infrastructure improvements to help ensure reliable service.

### Learn More:



**Buffalo Sewer Authority**

716-851-4664

[www.buffalosewer.org](http://www.buffalosewer.org)



**Buffalo Water**

716-847-1065

[www.buffalowater.org](http://www.buffalowater.org)

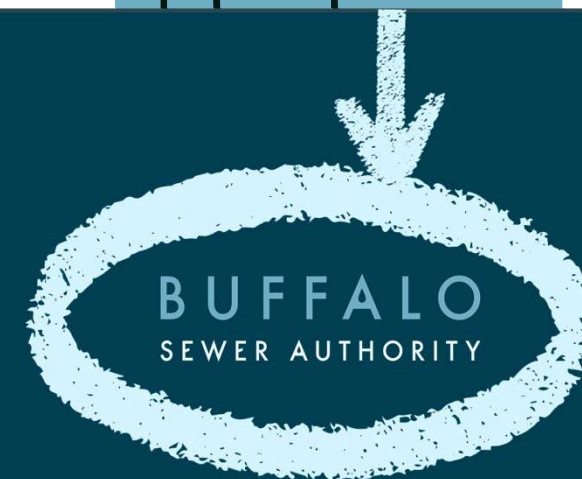


**Discount Programs**

716-215-2635

<https://buffalo-water.promise-pay.com>

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## Drinking Water In, Wastewater Out: Understanding Buffalo's Water & Sewer Services

# BUFFALO WATER



Buffalo Water uses water from Lake Erie, treats it, and delivers high - quality drinking water to your home or business.



When you turn on the tap, take a bath or shower, or water your plants, this drinking water is provided by Buffalo Water.



Buffalo Water's Filtration Plant removes impurities and treats the water to make sure it is clean, safe, and ready to drink.



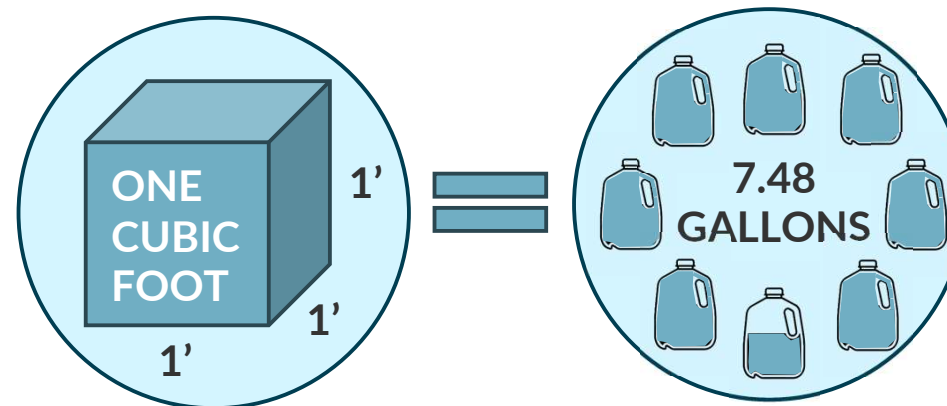
## Understanding How Your Bill is Calculated

Check if you are billed **MONTHLY** or **QUARTERLY**.

Buffalo Water and Buffalo Sewer are separate entities but provide a joint bill to customers.

**WATER USAGE** is measured by your water meter.

Buffalo Water measures usage in **cubic feet**. You may see other local water/sewer utilities measure by the gallon.



| METER READING                                    |                 |               |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| PRIOR READING                                    | CURRENT READING | USAGE         |
| 1,193.45                                         | 1,412.43        | 219           |
| BILL TYPE                                        | METER SIZE      | SERIAL NUMBER |
| Quarterly                                        | 5/8" X 3/4"     | 7167167167    |
| CHARGES                                          | WATER           | SEWER         |
| WATER QTRLY METER<br>SEWER QTRLY<br>QUARTERLY IS | \$69.77         | \$74.70       |
| TOTALS                                           | \$69.77         | \$74.70       |
| Current Water and Sewer                          |                 | \$159.47      |
| Previous Balance                                 |                 | \$0.00        |
| Total Amount Due                                 |                 | \$159.47      |
| Due Date                                         |                 | 8/22/2026     |

**BUFFALO WATER CHARGES = 1 + 2 + 3**

### Variable Consumption Charges

- 1** **USAGE** under 10,000 (monthly) or 30,000 (quarterly) cubic feet is charged \$0.02903 per cubic foot.
- 2** **USAGE** over 10,000 (monthly) or 30,000 (quarterly) cubic feet is charged \$0.03192 per cubic foot.

### Fixed Fees\*

- 3** Fixed Fees, including capacity and infrastructure improvement charges.

\* Fixed Fees are based on the meter size of the home or building. Larger buildings require larger meters to measure water usage.

**BUFFALO SEWER CHARGES = 4 + 5 + 6**

### Minimum Charge

- 4** Fixed Fee for **USAGE** for first 1,000 (monthly) or 4,000 (quarterly) cubic feet.

### Variable Consumption Charge

- 5** **USAGE** over 1,000 (monthly) or 4,000 (quarterly) cubic feet is charged \$0.01249 per cubic foot.

### Drainage Connection Service Charge

- 6** Fixed Fee\*, with most residents charged \$6.76 per month.