Customer Delinquencies

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THE SAME TIME LAST YEAR.

YOUR WINTER AVERAGE IS S.237 GALLONS, THIS AVERAGE, BASED ON YOUR

WATER USE IN EXCESS OF THE AVERA

USAGE BETWEEN NOVEMBER 15 AND MARCH GENERALLY REPRESENTS INDOOR WATER US

Customer Delinquency Status

Accounts 60 or more days past due

	Delinquent Accounts	Total Amount Owed	# In Active Payment Plan	# At Risk for Disconnection
Residential	55,993	\$40.IM	27,658	28,335
Non-Residential	2,531	\$9.5M	820	1,711
Total	58,524	\$49.6M	28,478	30,046

Customers not enrolled in an active payment plan are at risk for disconnection

Data as of 11/17/2021

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AVERAGE WATER USE

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COVID Relief Plan Highlights

- Processed 443 COVID Leak
 Adjustments totaling \$566K
 - Average of ~\$1,300/account
- 2,788 customers have satisfied the incentive payment plans
 - \$546K written off or 45% of balance owed



A medida que nuestra comunidad se recupera de la pandemia, nuestro objetivo es mantener su servicio de aqua conectado.

Behind on your water bill payments?

Get Current. | Stay Connected.

As our community recovers from the pandemic, our goal is to keep your water service turned on.

If you're behind on your bill, we want to help.

We'll set up a payment plan for you — to keep your water connected while giving you more time to pay. You may also qualify for our need-based assistance.

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Council Approved

- Allocated \$10M of ARPA funds to SAWS for Utility Payment Assistance
- Eligibility criteria
 - Reside inside city limits of San Antonio
 - Self attest to a COVID related financial hardship
 - Amount of assistance is dependent upon income qualification
 - Enrolled in ADP or in a payment plan



Assistance Levels

- Qualifying customers at or below 125% of poverty
 - Unpaid charges for the period March 2020 through September
 2021 will be eligible without limitation
 - Customer must submit income documentation
- Qualifying customers above 125% of poverty
 - Unpaid charges for the period March 2020 through September
 2021 will be eligible for up to \$700 in assistance

Potential Recipients

	Inside City Limits			
	Count	Delinquent Balance		
60+ days Past Due				
Residential Only				
ADP Program				
< \$700	6,444	\$	1,441,739	
> \$700	2,295	\$	3,740,958	
Total	8,739	\$	5,182,697	
Non-ADP				
< \$700	26,123	\$	5,841,775	
> \$700	9,242	\$	14,399,472	
Total	35,365	\$	20,241,247	
Grand Total	44,104	\$	25,423,944	

Data as of 11/17/2021



Next Steps

- Working to finalize agreement with City of San Antonio
 - Formally documents grant subrecipient responsibilities and criteria for applying grant funds
- Customer application process
 - Beginning Dec. 3rd customers can apply online, at payment centers or at 704-SAWS
 - Web based application (<u>www.saws.org/COVID19</u>)



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