

➤ Are the downspouts from your roof connected incorrectly to the Greenwood sewer?

➤ Incorrect connections cause problems.

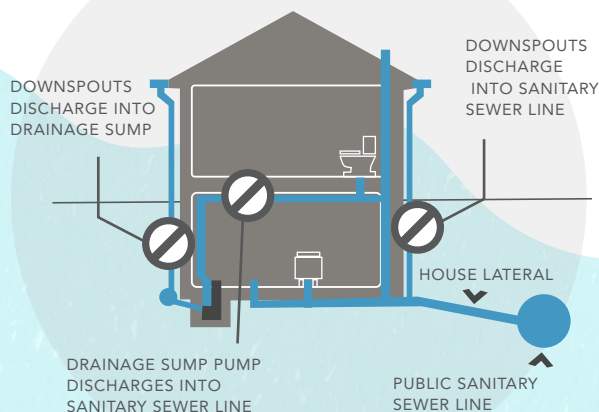
➤ When sanitary sewers are overloaded, they can back up into our homes, businesses and streets.

What about the sump pump keeping water out of your basement? If a downspout or sump pump is connected to the city sewer, it is taking up space the system needs to carry sewage to the treatment plant. These incorrect and possibly illegal connections can cause sewage to back up into your basement or overflow into our rivers and streams.

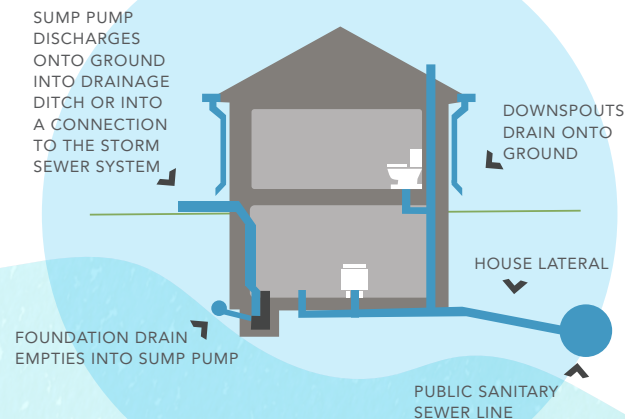
Our city sewer system doesn't have unlimited capacity. Rainwater should flow to storm sewers and other natural drainage ways, and sewage should flow to sanitary sewers. But sometimes, downspouts and sump pumps are illegally connected to the sanitary sewers, adding more flow than the sewers are meant to handle. In a neighborhood of 200 homes, it only takes six to eight sump pumps working full time in wet weather to cause a backup into basements, streets or our Greenwood waterways.

If we can redirect some water away from our sewer system, it will put us that much closer to cleaner rivers and streams.

### IMPROPER CONNECTIONS



### PROPER CONNECTIONS



When it comes to improving the **WATER QUALITY** in Greenwood, every little bit helps.

➤ You can make a difference!

➤ **FIND IT  
FIX IT**

If your home is improperly connected to a sanitary sewer, it's important for you to Find It, Fix It. Each Greenwood household or business that redirects stormwater out of the sewer helps prevent sewage from backing up into our basements or overflowing into our waterways.



MARK W. MYERS, MAYOR



If you've found an improper connection or need assistance doing so, call the City of Greenwood for more information on how to get it fixed at 317-887-4711.

Do your sump pump and downspouts have the correct connections?

