



# THERE ARE NEARLY 400,000 HOUSE FIRES IN THE U.S. EACH YEAR, AND OUR BEST DEFENSE IS THE WATER THAT FLOWS FROM NEARBY HYDRANTS.

You may not think about how water gets to you whenever you need it. You don't have to, because we do. We run the treatment plants, pumps, and pipes that deliver clean water and safely carry away wastewater. But those systems are aging. Many parts need to be fixed, upgraded or replaced to continue providing life's most essential resource. System failure is not an option. We need water to fight fires. We need it to manufacture firefighting equipment. In fact, we need it for everything we do in life.

Your water and wastewater bills pay for investments that guarantee clean, safe water is available. All day, every day.

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