

Lead pipes in Pittsburgh: what to do

Does the city pay for your side of the line? Yes, at no cost to the owner when the program does the work.

1. Check your address

Use the free Pittsburgh Water address map. The link is on leadpipehelp.org/cities/pittsburgh/. You can also call the number below.

2. What the city covers

\$0 in neighborhood projects. Hire your own plumber: reimbursement up to 100% by income, or a \$1,000 stipend.

3. Call

412-255-8987

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4. In the meantime

- If the water has sat for hours, run the cold tap until it feels colder before drinking or cooking.
- Use cold water for drinking, cooking and baby formula.
- If you use a filter, pick one certified to NSF/ANSI Standard 53 or 58 for lead reduction. The box or the certifier's online listing says so.
- Questions about health: ask your doctor or local health department.

Source: Community Lead Response, Pittsburgh Water (www.pgh2o.com/construction-maintenance/lead-line-replacement-programs). Checked Oct 18, 2026. Programs change, so confirm with the city.

More and updates: leadpipehelp.org/cities/pittsburgh/