

## A Community Affair...

PMUA's Comprehensive Community Services Program as examples below will illustrate, is designed to benefit every Plainfield resident, property owner and business.

All Plainfield property owners pay a shared service fee, which supports the cost of downtown street sweeping and garbage collection; the preservation of other public areas, parks and community playgrounds in Plainfield including:

- Rushmore Avenue Park
- Mathison Park
- Library Park
- Rock Avenue Park
- Sloan Blvd. Park
- Siedler Field
- Milton Campbell Field
- Hannah Atkins Park
- Cook School Park
- South Avenue Circle



The PMUA's efforts to ensure a clean and environmentally safe community greatly contribute to the City's quality of life – both its beauty and health – and create a community pride that can be enjoyed by all. That's why the cost of these services to the community is shared by all property owners. For PMUA solid waste customers, the cost is part of the regular quarterly bill for comprehensive solid waste services.

\* There is a separate quarterly reduced solid waste charge for property-owners who do not use the PMUA's full solid waste services system.

## Management of City's Waste Flow

Although the PMUA provides direct services (i.e., collection of garbage, recyclables and bulky waste), it also is a regulatory agency responsible for the City's entire waste flow – administration, monitoring, inspection and enforcement of rules and regulations.

## Transfer Station Operations

The PMUA maintains this Rock Ave. facility and equipment for its solid waste operations, and as a local site for residents to drop-off many materials.

## Public Can Service

The PMUA is responsible for collection and disposal of solid waste from containers in municipal facilities, the downtown business area, parks and elsewhere.



## Disposal of Vegetative Waste and Debris

Disposal of City DPW-collected street sweepings, leaves, grass, branches, heavy woods and other waste.

## Abatement Services

Clean-up of vacant lots and other areas in the City that pose health and code violations

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

1998 -

A sudden major storm rips through the City, downing trees and cluttering streets. A coordinated inter-agency emergency effort opens traffic arteries and restores vital services. City clean-up takes weeks. The PMUA pays \$170,000 to dispose of the debris.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) delivers 28.5 million pounds (14,267 tons) of mixed debris to the Transfer Station for PMUA disposal – including street sweepings, leaves, heavy wood, brush, abandoned tires, litter, and garbage from streets, parking lots, parks and other City-owned properties.

1999 -

Clean Communities Program:

PMUA members, volunteer students and adults, team up and collect some 6,000 pounds of litter and trash from public areas to help to keep Plainfield a "clean community" and to minimize health risks to residents.

2004 -

Mayor of Plainfield announces a 100-day initiative to improve the City's appearance. Thus formed the *Quality of Life Team*, comprised of members from the Departments of Public Works, Public Health, Code Enforcement, Board of Education, Police Department and the PMUA.

In conjunction with the Mayor's *Quality of Life Initiative*, PMUA took city street sweeping to the next level. Through its joint *Sweep-a-Ward* campaign, the PMUA hit Plainfield residential districts, hauling some 176,000 lbs. of litter and debris from neighborhood streets.

\* Both *Quality of Life* and *Sweep-a-Ward* initiative programs have continued into the following year.

**Additional ongoing and active participation in -**

- ~ *Save a Life Today* (S.A.L.T.) meetings & programs
- ~ *Community for a Change* project
- ~ July 4th Parades & signage production
- ~ Block Association meetings

PMUA Public Information can visit your group or organization to speak with citizens about the Authority and address resident's concerns. To arrange a meeting, call: (908) 226.2518





# PLAINFIELD Municipal Utilities Authority

Information Brochure

## About The PMUA...

The PMUA is both a service and regulatory agency responsible for sanitary sewer collection and treatment services, as well as solid waste collection and disposal operations throughout the City.

The PMUA administers, monitors and is responsible for developing, implementing and enforcing rules and regulations concerning the City of Plainfield's entire waste flow in compliance with City, County and State rules and regulations.

The PMUA also is responsible for operating and maintaining (inspecting, cleaning and repairing) some 110 miles of the City sanitary sewer collection lines and several sewage pumping stations.

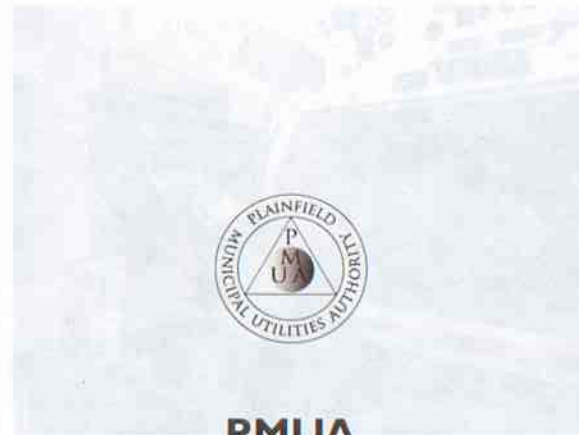
Comprehensive solid waste services are provided for single and multi-family residential units which include:

- Twice per week collection of household garbage.
- Weekly collection of recyclables.
- Scheduled collection of household bulky waste.

The PMUA provides special container collection service for large apartment complexes, institutions and public agencies, including collection from municipal buildings and public street cans. The PMUA maintains and operates the Rock Avenue Waste Transfer Station as part of the City's Solid Waste Utility.

The PMUA is a community leader in outreach programs to increase recycling, reduce litter and clean-up public areas. The Authority works cooperatively with other City agencies on many projects to promote reinvestment of resident dollars in the Plainfield community.

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## SHARED SERVICES



### What are Solid Waste Shared Services?

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