

THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK

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Dear Resident:

Enclosed with this letter is the water and sewer bill for the first quarter of 2020, which reflects the new rates approved by Borough Council in 2019. This increase was an important step in the ongoing improvements to the Borough's water and sewer system. It will support more efficient operations and maintenance, including compliance with ever-increasing state and federal regulatory requirements. The funds will also support important capital improvements, such as replacement of Borough-owned water meters, upgrades to the sewer system to reduce inflow and infiltration, and repairs to the emergency interconnections with neighboring water systems. All of these projects will stabilize water and sewer operations and keep costs down in future.

Since property taxes do not fund water and sewer services, these costs must be recovered through the water and sewer billings. Under this new rate structure, smaller households that consume less water (under 800 cubic feet per quarter) will pay between \$3 and \$4 more each month; larger households will pay approximately \$9 more on a monthly basis.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Borough Administrator, Teri Jover, at tjover@hpboro.com. She and the rest of the Borough staff will be happy to answer your questions.

Sincerely,

Gayle Brill Mittler

Mayor

Effective immediately, please send all payments to: **221 So. 5th Avenue, Highland Park, NJ 08904**. The Borough is discontinuing use of its P.O. Box at the end of July. Mail sent to the P.O. Box after July 31 will be returned to sender and late payments will incur interest charges.