

City of Geneva

Lead Service Line Replacement Program

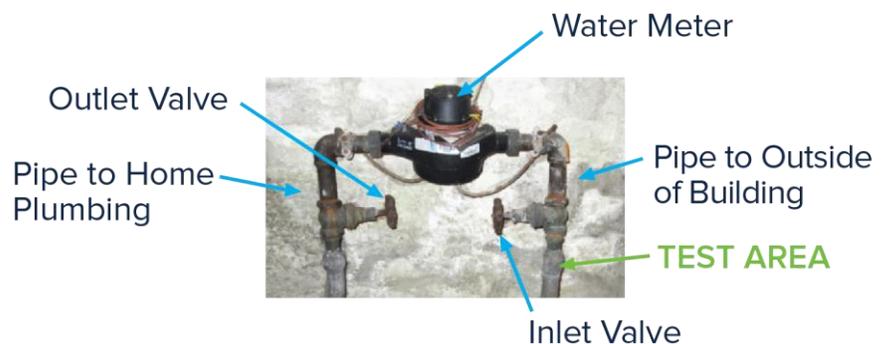
The City of Geneva has received **grant funding** from the NYS Department of Health that will allow the City to **replace lead drinking water service lines at no cost to property owners**. You can test your line yourself or have City staff come and test it for you.

There are not a lot of Geneva properties that still have this kind of service line, but we want to make sure that all in Geneva are changed that need to be.

Do you want to do a quick test on your own? Follow the instructions below to determine whether or not you have a lead service line.

How to identify a test area

Identify a test area on the service line between the point where it comes into the building and the inlet valve. If the pipe is covered or wrapped, expose a small area of metal. Use the flat edge of a screwdriver or other tool to scratch through any corrosion that may have built up on the outside of the pipe.



Once a test area is identified, test the service line to determine the material



Lead

If the scratched area is shiny and silver, your service line is lead. A magnet will not stick to lead.



Copper

If the scratched area is copper in color like a penny, your service line is copper. A magnet will not stick to copper.



Galvanized Steel

If the scratched area remains a dull gray, your service line is galvanized steel. A magnet will stick to this pipe.

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Resident Indication of Interest



YOUR LEAD DRINKING WATER SERVICE LINE CAN BE REPLACED AT NO COST TO YOU!

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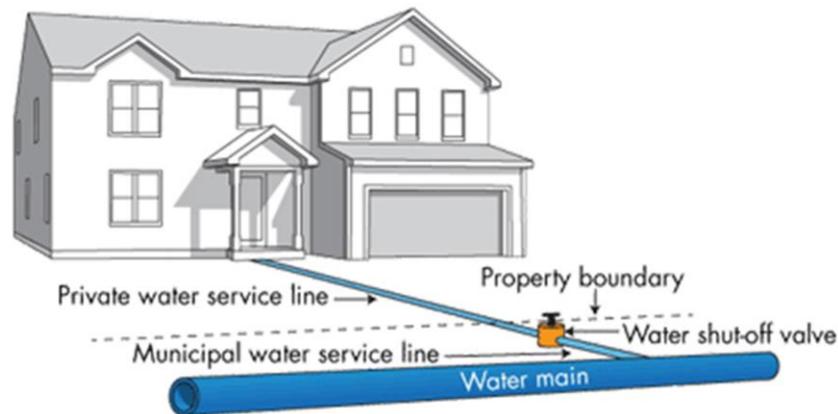
Drinking water can be a source of lead exposure. Service pipes that contain lead can corrode, causing lead to enter drinking water.

The presence of a lead service line does not always mean a home has a lead issue. However, lead in drinking water can be a problem:

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that drinking water contaminated with lead can contribute to 20 percent or more of a person's total exposure to lead.
- Infants who consume mostly mixed formula can receive 40 – 60 percent of their total exposure to lead from drinking water.

What will the Lead Service Line Replacement Program do?

If you have a lead service line, grant funds can be used to replace the entire length of residential lead service lines, from the municipal water main to the residence, in an effort to reduce the amount of lead in your drinking water.



You can test your own service line by following the instructions on the back of this sheet, or you can contact Collette at the City of Geneva at 315-828-6585 or email ccb@geneva.ny.us to set up an appointment to have qualified City of Geneva staff test your service line. **If you test your own line and discover lead, please call for a Program application.**

If the City conducts the test and your home **DOES** have a lead service line, you will be contacted to complete an application for participation in the Program.