

Western Townships Utilities Authority

SERVING THE CHARTER TOWNSHIPS OF CANTON, NORTHVILLE AND PLYMOUTH

ANNUAL BUDGET YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027

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WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY
PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET
OCTOBER 1, 2026 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2027

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OPERATIONS BUDGET

REVENUES

Township billings	\$ 12,672,923	\$ 13,097,891	\$ 13,097,891	\$ 10,358,598	\$ 13,054,841	\$ 13,471,706	2.85%	3.19%
Unbilled Rec-Prelim YCUA LB		-	-	(22,588)	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Interest & other revenue	20,501	-	-	22,600	0	-	0.00%	0.00%
Total Revenues	12,693,424	13,097,891	13,097,891	10,358,611	13,054,841	13,471,706	2.85%	3.19%
	12,672,923				\$ 13,054,841			

EXPENDITURES

Sewage treatment charges	\$ 9,070,785	\$ 9,403,408	\$ 9,403,408	\$ 7,806,876	\$ 9,376,219	\$ 9,734,057	3.52%	3.82%
Operations and maintenance	2,395,535	2,589,221	2,589,221	1,843,776	2,574,909	2,623,179	1.31%	1.87%
Administrative	738,021	855,288	855,288	663,842	853,739	871,824	1.93%	2.12%
YCUA capacity rental	256,967	249,974	249,974	249,974	249,974	242,646	(2.93%)	(2.93%)
Total Expenditures	12,461,308	13,097,891	13,097,891	10,564,467	13,054,841	13,471,706	2.85%	3.19%

NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ 232,116	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (205,856.35)	\$ -	\$ -		
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WORKING CAPITAL

Beginning balance	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890		
Reduction of GASB68 Liability	(232,116)	-	-					
Revenues less expenditures	232,116	-	-	(205,856)				
Ending balance	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890	\$ 73,034	\$ 278,890	\$ 278,890		

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
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Sewage Treatment Charges
Operations & Maintenance Overview
Lower Rouge and Middle Rouge
Force Main, Collection System, Vehicle and Saw Grant Expenditures
Administrative
Administrative-Detail of Computer Expense

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SEWAGE TREATMENT CHARGES

YCUA:

Sewage treatment charges	7,899,817	8,135,292	8,135,292	6,538,262	7,780,000	8,234,941
Industrial pre-treatment charges	91,600	186,000	186,000	225,326	261,000	267,000
GASB 68 - UAAL pension (fixed)	232,116	232,116	232,116	212,773	232,116	232,116
	<u>8,223,533</u>	<u>8,553,408</u>	<u>8,553,408</u>	<u>6,976,360</u>	<u>8,273,116</u>	<u>8,734,057</u>
Debt Contribution	543,221	850,000	850,000	853,103	853,103	1,000,000
Lookback	<u>536,147</u>			<u>(22,588)</u>	<u>250,000</u>	
Sewage Treatment Total	<u>9,302,901</u>	<u>9,403,408</u>	<u>9,403,408</u>	<u>7,806,876</u>	<u>9,376,219</u>	<u>9,734,057</u>

Without Pension Liability reduction \$ 9,070,785 \$ 9,171,292 \$ 9,171,292 \$ 7,594,103 \$ 9,144,103 \$ 9,501,941

SEWAGE TREATMENT DETAIL CALCULATIONS

Treatment Agency	Estimated Flows (1,000 gallons)	Period (from/to)	Rate	Rate Change (%)	Projected Cost (\$)
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YCUA

Sewage treatment charges-projected rate	4,679,585	Oct-26 - Aug-27	(per 1,000 gallons) 1.631806	3.50%	7,636,176
Sewage treatment charges-projected rate	<u>349,461</u>	Sept-27	1.713396	5.00%	<u>598,766</u>
Total flows YCUA	<u><u>5,029,047</u></u>				Total treatment charges YCUA 8,234,941

Flows are based upon actual metered sewage flow

YCUA-IPP Charges

Canton Township	129,000
Northville Township	47,000
Plymouth Township	<u>91,000</u>
Total YCUA IPP Charges	<u><u>267,000</u></u>

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OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OVERVIEW

Lower Rouge	\$ 1,220,209	\$ 1,333,535	\$ 1,333,535	\$ 1,051,434	\$ 1,328,035	\$ 1,351,982	1.38%	1.80%
Middle Rouge	492,244	591,463	591,463	412,789	586,063	598,843	1.25%	2.18%
Force Main	75,698	88,987	88,987	54,030	88,987	91,052	2.32%	2.32%
Collection System	604,831	567,737	567,737	320,801	564,487	569,802	0.36%	0.94%
Vehicle	2,554	7,500	7,500	4,721	7,337	11,500	53.33%	56.74%
Saw Grant expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Operation & Maintenance Total	\$ 2,395,535	\$ 2,589,221	\$ 2,589,221	\$ 1,843,776	\$ 2,574,909	\$ 2,623,179	1.31%	1.87%

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LOWER ROUGE

O&M Contractor	\$ 319,942	\$ 292,433	\$ 267,766	\$ 292,433	\$ 302,756	3.53%	3.53%
Parts	9,409	20,000	15,647	20,000	20,000	0.00%	0.00%
Communications	4,621	4,600	2,539	4,600	4,600	0.00%	0.00%
Instrumentation Service	3,963	8,000	764	4,000	4,000	(50.00%)	0.00%
Alarm Monitoring	6,517	4,000	17,738	18,000	1,500	(62.50%)	(91.67%)
Prev/Predictive Maintenance	21,516	22,000	4,507	22,000	22,000	0.00%	0.00%
Inspections/Permits/Licenses	879	3,000	1,278	3,000	3,000	0.00%	0.00%
Janitorial	3,502	4,002	3,947	4,002	4,126	3.10%	3.10%
General Maintenance	3,952	4,000	11,084	4,000	4,000	0.00%	0.00%
Lawn Maintenance	4,756	4,000	957	4,000	4,000	0.00%	0.00%
Snow Removal	3,995	7,000	8,328	8,500	8,500	21.43%	0.00%
Landscape Maintenance	575	3,500	-	3,500	3,500	0.00%	0.00%
Flow Meter Maintenance	7,600	8,000	6,600	8,000	8,000	0.00%	0.00%
Electric	642,787	721,000	547,013	715,000	721,000	0.00%	0.84%
Natural Gas	31,869	32,000	37,646	40,000	40,000	25.00%	0.00%
Water/Sewer	85,585	75,000	67,636	80,000	80,000	6.67%	0.00%
Supplies and Tools	1,725	11,000	7,968	11,000	11,000	0.00%	0.00%
Fuel	5,704	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	0.00%	0.00%
Corrective Maintenance	61,311	100,000	50,016	76,000	100,000	0.00%	31.58%
Lower Rouge Total	\$ 1,220,209	\$ 1,333,535	\$ 1,051,434	\$ 1,328,035	\$ 1,351,982	1.38%	1.80%

Budget includes a 5% increase effective 1/1/2027

Scada Maintenance-Trihedral License and PCI mnthce

New provider

Suzanne: Switchgear cleaning for NPS & SPS

MIDDLE ROUGE

O&M Contractor	\$ 191,965	\$ 175,460	\$ 160,660	\$ 175,460	\$ 181,654	3.53%	3.53%
Parts	1,925	7,500	259	7,500	7,500	0.00%	0.00%
Communications	819	2,200	694	2,200	2,200	0.00%	0.00%
Instrumentation Service	3,963	6,500	3,058	6,500	6,500	0.00%	0.00%
Alarm Monitoring	3,358	4,000	2,779	2,800	1,500	(62.50%)	(46.43%)
Prev/Predictive Maintenance	2,097	11,000	20,840	21,000	11,000	0.00%	(47.62%)
Inspections/Permits/Licenses	612	4,000	593	4,000	4,000	0.00%	0.00%
Janitorial	5,253	6,003	5,920	6,003	6,189	3.10%	3.10%
General Maintenance	2,489	5,000	2,694	5,000	5,000	0.00%	0.00%
Lawn Maintenance	4,274	8,300	2,973	8,300	8,300	0.00%	0.00%
Snow Removal	7,694	8,000	8,761	8,800	9,000	12.50%	2.27%
Landscape Maintenance	758	4,000	2,860	4,000	4,000	0.00%	0.00%
Flow Meter Maintenance	23,200	26,000	21,600	26,000	26,000	0.00%	0.00%
Electric	174,261	197,500	151,401	197,500	200,000	1.27%	1.27%
Odor Control Chemicals	9,188	10,000	5,433	10,000	10,000	0.00%	0.00%
Natural Gas	12,780	18,000	10,117	18,000	18,000	0.00%	0.00%
Water/Sewer	5,660	15,000	3,899	15,000	15,000	0.00%	0.00%
Supplies and Tools	1,425	8,000	1,244	8,000	8,000	0.00%	0.00%
Corrective Maintenance	40,523	75,000	7,005	60,000	75,000	0.00%	25.00%
Middle Rouge Total	\$ 492,244	\$ 591,463	\$ 412,789	\$ 586,063	\$ 598,843	1.25%	2.18%

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Scada maintenance-Trihedral License and PCI mnthce

\$20,000 for switchgear cleaning, every 3rd yr. Done in 25-26

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FORCE MAIN								
O&M Contractor	\$ 63,989	\$ 58,487	\$ 58,487	\$ 53,553	\$ 58,487	\$ 60,552	3.53%	3.53%
Parts	3,310	6,000	6,000	14	6,000	6,000	0.00%	0.00%
Communications	546	1,000	1,000	463	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%
Grounds Maintenance	-	500	500	-	500	500	0.00%	0.00%
Supplies and Tools	2,850	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000	0.00%	0.00%
Corrective Maintenance	5,003	20,000	20,000	-	20,000	20,000	0.00%	0.00%
Force Main Total	\$ 75,698	\$ 88,987	\$ 88,987	\$ 54,030	\$ 88,987	\$ 91,052	2.32%	2.32%

Budget includes a 5% increase effective 1/1/2027

COLLECTION SYSTEM								
O&M Contractor	\$ 63,989	\$ 58,487	\$ 58,487	\$ 53,553	\$ 58,487	\$ 60,552	3.53%	3.53%
Infrastructure Maintenance	313,514	140,000	140,000	-	140,000	140,000	0.00%	0.00%
Parts	2,244	2,000	2,000	3,846	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%
Communications	1,776	4,000	4,000	863	4,000	4,000	0.00%	0.00%
Instrumentation Service	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%
Prev/Predictive Maintenance	1,958	2,000	2,000	710	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%
Inspections	-	1,250	1,250	207	-	1,250	0.00%	100.00%
Building Maintenance	-	1,000	1,000	-	-	1,000	0.00%	100.00%
Grounds Maintenance	-	1,000	1,000	-	-	1,000	0.00%	100.00%
Flow Meter Maintenance	143,920	165,000	165,000	131,560	165,000	165,000	0.00%	0.00%
Miss Dig	6,960	7,000	7,000	5,983	7,000	7,000	0.00%	0.00%
Electric	10,254	12,000	12,000	8,948	12,000	12,000	0.00%	0.00%
Supplies and Tools	1,147	1,000	1,000	299	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%
Fuel	-	2,000	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%
Equip Purchases/Flow Meters	26,445	50,000	50,000	39,747	50,000	50,000	0.00%	0.00%
Corrective Maintenance	31,624	120,000	120,000	75,086	120,000	120,000	0.00%	0.00%
Collection System Total	\$ 604,831	\$ 567,737	\$ 567,737	\$ 320,801	\$ 564,487	\$ 569,802	0.36%	0.94%

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Sewer cleaning. 2024 and 2025 work both completed in FY 24-25

New Scada servers (2) and PCs

VEHICLE								
Parts	\$ 52	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 1,472	\$ 1,337	\$ 500	0.00%	(62.60%)
Prev/Predictive Maintenance	-	1,000	1,000	647	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%
Fuel	2,502	4,000	4,000	2,602	3,000	3,000	(25.00%)	0.00%
Corrective Maintenance	-	2,000	2,000	-	2,000	7,000	250.00%	250.00%
Vehicle Totals	\$ 2,554	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ 4,721	\$ 7,337	\$ 11,500	53.33%	56.74%

Possible transmission on MR truck

SAW GRANT EXPENDITURES								
Saw Grant Expenditure								
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	0.00%

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Salaries & Fringe Benefits

Director of Operations	\$ 131,102	\$ 137,080	\$ 118,488	\$ 137,080	\$ 140,044	2.16%	2.16%	Budget includes a 3.4% increase for staff effective for the first pay of 2027. Actual determined by board in Nov.
Operations Manager	43,205	103,899	89,526	103,899	106,144	2.16%	2.16%	
Accountant	88,088	92,465	80,556	100,865	103,053	2.16%	2.16%	
Administrative Assistant	74,293	71,744	46,786	54,045	57,449	(19.93%)	6.30%	
Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%	Meredith moving to next tier
Temporary Services	-	2,400	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%	
Sick pay accrual	16,686	12,000	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%	
Vaca Time accrual	18,571	12,000	10,000	12,000	12,000	0.00%	0.00%	
FICA	26,614	-	-	10,000	-	(100.00%)	3.23%	
Workers Comp Insurance	523	31,000	25,699	31,000	32,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Health Insurance	53,765	3,200	2,039	3,200	3,200	22.98%	19.09%	Added additional person insured - Meredith spouse
Vision Plan	369	73,500	75,217	75,900	90,390	11.11%	11.11%	
Dental Insurance	3,148	1,800	373	1,800	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
STD/LTD/Life Insurance	3,148	5,000	3,887	5,000	5,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Education Expense	5,228	8,000	6,618	8,000	8,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Pension Plan Expense	-	3,000	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%	Additional person
Subtotal	50,762	61,000	47,618	61,000	61,000	0.00%	0.00%	
	512,353	606,088	506,806	603,789	620,279	1.44%	2.73%	

Reimbursable Expenses

Training/Conference	852	2,000	1,188	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Travel/Meal Reimbursement	-	500	-	500	500	0.00%	0.00%	
Mileage Reimbursement	464	2,000	160	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	1,316	4,500	1,348	4,500	4,500	0.00%	0.00%	

Office Expenses

Supplies	1,855	3,000	776	3,000	3,000	0.00%	0.00%	New PC-Aaron and Scada at MR, Microsoft 365 increase and CTI increase
Computer	74,579	74,600	63,232	80,000	84,520	13.30%	5.65%	
Equipment/Furniture	6,548	20,000	7,200	20,000	16,000	(20.00%)	(20.00%)	
Printing/Copying	1,677	2,000	777	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Postage	332	1,000	358	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Telephone	2,896	3,500	2,073	3,500	3,500	0.00%	0.00%	
Newspapers/Publications	-	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Outside Services	1,049	2,000	870	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Memberships/Dues	1,704	2,000	792	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Miscellaneous	821	750	1,089	1,500	1,500	100.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	91,460	109,850	77,167	116,000	116,520	6.07%	0.45%	

Outside Services

Legal-Consulting	19,342	25,000	12,636	25,000	25,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Other Legal	-	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Audit	25,500	28,850	25,575	28,850	29,925	3.73%	3.73%	Capacity study finished
Financial Consulting	2,710	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Indirect Engineering Services	38,150	10,000	-	4,600	4,600	0.00%	0.00%	
Bank & Bond Services	526	1,000	301	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Insurance Services	46,664	50,000	40,009	50,000	50,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	132,892	134,850	78,520	129,450	130,525	0.83%	0.83%	

Administrative Total

\$ 738,021	\$ 855,288	\$ 855,288	\$ 663,842	\$ 853,739	\$ 871,824	1.93%	2.12%
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Vision Plan	369	1,800	373	1,800	2,000	11.11%	11.11%	
Dental Insurance	3,148	5,000	3,887	5,000	5,000	0.00%	0.00%	
STD/LTD/Life Insurance	5,228	8,000	6,618	8,000	8,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Education Expense	-	3,000	-	8,000	-	0.00%	0.00%	Additional person
Pension Plan Expense	50,762	61,000	47,618	61,000	61,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	512,353	606,088	506,806	603,789	620,279	1.44%	2.73%	

Reimbursable Expenses

Training/Conference	852	2,000	1,188	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Travel/Meal Reimbursement	-	500	-	500	500	0.00%	0.00%	
Mileage Reimbursement	464	2,000	160	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	1,316	4,500	1,348	4,500	4,500	0.00%	0.00%	

Office Expenses

Supplies	1,855	3,000	776	3,000	3,000	0.00%	0.00%	New PC-Aaron and Scada at MR, Microsoft 365 increase and CTI increase
Computer	74,579	74,600	63,232	80,000	84,520	13.30%	5.65%	
Equipment/Furniture	6,548	20,000	7,200	20,000	16,000	(20.00%)	(20.00%)	
Printing/Copying	1,677	2,000	777	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Postage	332	1,000	358	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Telephone	2,896	3,500	2,073	3,500	3,500	0.00%	0.00%	
Newspapers/Publications	-	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Outside Services	1,049	2,000	870	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Memberships/Dues	1,704	2,000	792	2,000	2,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Miscellaneous	821	750	1,089	1,500	1,500	100.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	91,460	109,850	77,167	116,000	116,520	6.07%	0.45%	

Outside Services

Legal-Consulting	19,342	25,000	12,636	25,000	25,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Other Legal	-	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Audit	25,500	28,850	25,575	28,850	29,925	3.73%	3.73%	Capacity study finished
Financial Consulting	2,710	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Indirect Engineering Services	38,150	10,000	-	4,600	4,600	0.00%	0.00%	
Bank & Bond Services	526	1,000	301	1,000	1,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Insurance Services	46,664	50,000	40,009	50,000	50,000	0.00%	0.00%	
Subtotal	132,892	134,850	78,520	129,450	130,525	0.83%	0.83%	

Administrative Total

\$ 738,021	\$ 855,288	\$ 855,288	\$ 663,842	\$ 853,739	\$ 871,824	1.93%	2.12%
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**ADMINISTRATIVE
DETAIL OF COMPUTER EXPENSE**

<u>Contractors</u>	
Network Support	\$ 30,000
Email and website hosting	2,000
Internet services/static ip	2,500
<u>Support</u>	
Lucity (GBA) IMS Support/Tritech Software Systems-Central Sq	6,500
Accounting Software (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30)	5,500
ArcGIS Support-E.S.R.I.	500
Internet-MR Comcast	2,600
<u>Software</u>	
H2O Metrics	15,000
Virus protection/spam software	1,500
Microsoft office 365 annual fees	1,420
Miscellaneous software - new/upgrades	5,000
<u>Hardware</u>	
New Equipment	12,000
(Aaron's PC, Scada PC at MR, Canon Image Scanner)	
Total	\$ 84,520

*Scada Maintenance under instrumentation for LR & MR-Trihedral