

HOW CAN I ASSIST IN THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

If you are seeking to correct a problem or problems that are detracting from the quality of life in your neighborhood the following may be helpful.

Is the condition one that you can remedy?

Consider the location. If it is a public area or a vacant property that you can enter, then you proceed to correct the issue.

Will you need assistance to correct the condition?

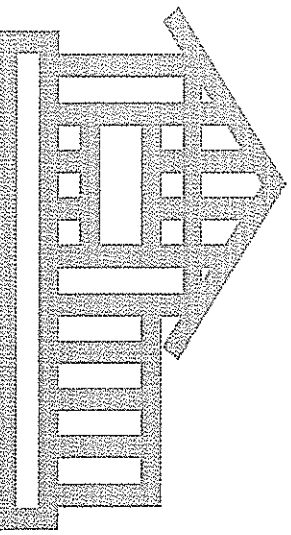
Talk to you friends and neighbors. If you have noticed the problem, then others have also. Working together can create future opportunities.

Contact your Neighborhood Enforcement Officer at 766.7284 and request assistance.

Explain the problem in detail. Leave your name, phone number and e-mail address. This way you can be contacted if additional information is necessary.

Are there a number of violations needing attention in your neighborhood?

Contact your neighborhood block club. If you do not have one, then consider starting one.



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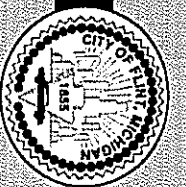
**Community
Challenge**

patterns for positive change

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502 Church Street
Flint, Michigan 48502

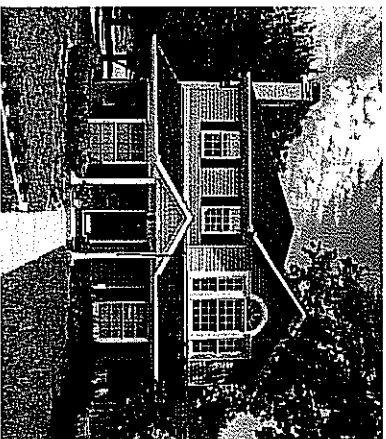
**IMPORTANT—READ INSIDE CAREFULLY TO SEE HOW VIOLATIONS OF FLINT'S
NEW CIVIL INFRACTION ORDINANCES COULD AFFECT YOU...**

City of Flint



**NEW MUNICIPAL
CIVIL INFRACTION
ORDINANCES**

"Good code enforcement is unusual!"



**CITY OF FLINT DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
Department of Transportation
121 E. Seventh Street, Flint, MI 48502**

To report neighborhood eyesores call:

(810) 766.7284

Hours: 8am to 5pm

Neighborhood Enforcement Officers are in from 8am - 9am

Mayor Donald J. Williamson:

(810) 766.7346

SAMPLES OF VIOLATIONS

BUILDING INSPECTION/ CODE ENFORCEMENT

The aim of the Neighborhood Enforcement Officers, through their building and rental inspections, is to provide safe and decent housing for the residents of the City of Flint.

The Neighborhood Enforcement Officers also work in cooperation with the residents of the City of Flint to provide attractive neighborhoods through impartial Code Enforcement.

NEIGHBORHOOD ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' MISSION STATEMENT

To promote, maintain and improve the quality of life for the residents of the City of Flint.

We are committed to community partnership, education and enforcement by providing dedicated, enthusiastic and professional service.

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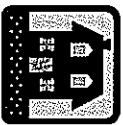
...**Trash and yard waste** placed at curb earlier than 7pm the evening prior to scheduled pickup. **NOTE:** Both are now picked up on the same day.



...**Signs** placed between the sidewalk and the curb on power poles.

...**The growth of weeds** and grass to a height greater than eight inches.

...**Excessive yard sales.** Yard sales are limited to two per year, three days each, and require a City of Flint permit.



...**Vacant/abandoned structures** must be maintained in a safe and secure manner conforming with city code by being properly mowed and free of litter, trash and weeds.

...**Litter** and/or trash on property. (The occupant is responsible for picking up to the middle of the street.)

...**Graffiti** must be removed within seven days. **NOTE:** Each day after the seventh day that the violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.



...**Sidewalks** must be cleared of snow, ice or slush within 24 hours after it has fallen or formed.



...**More than three dogs** requires a kennel license.

...**Zoning** ordinance violations such as non-conforming use of property.

This is not a complete list. For a complete listing go to the City of Flint website: www.cityofflint.com.

—click on Ordinances—

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

- The first Civil Infraction Notice results in a \$25 fine; the second Civil Infraction Notice calls for a \$50 fine.
- An initial Civil Infraction Citation for a violation results in a \$150 fine plus costs; the second Civil infraction Citation for a violation results in a \$250 fine plus costs.
- **Warnings are not required.** An authorized local official has the discretion to issue either a Civil Infraction Notice or a Civil Infraction Citation. A Civil Infraction Citation *may* be issued for a first violation.
- Each day of non-compliance can result in an additional Citation.
- If you receive a Citation you will be required to appear at a Preconference Informal on a Tuesday afternoon. You must appear. The Preconference Informal is an opportunity to speak with a city attorney about correcting the problem and paying \$135 in costs as opposed to paying \$285 for not appearing or \$385 if a second Citation is issued.
- **FAILURE TO PAY FINES AND COSTS COULD RESULT IN A LIEN ON THE PROPERTY.**

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