



# Newsletter

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**"It's not just a community. It's our home."**

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## Our Apologies....

Last month we sent out our annual renewal reminders for expiring memberships. During that time period we were transferring responsibility for the documentation of our membership information between our retiring and incoming treasurer. We also had a computer "glitch" in our system. As a result, some members that had already sent in their dues received a notice saying they still had to renew. All has since been corrected and we sincerely apologize for any inconvenience these events have caused.

Additionally, we noted that it took longer than usual in January for the newsletter to arrive in your mailbox. The USPS is sometimes taking longer right now to process and deliver the mail, so we assume that was the problem with delivery since we mailed the newsletter just two days later than our regular schedule of the second Wednesday of the month. Of course delivery of mail is out of our control. We do pay for first class postage to ensure the fastest service possible.

We want our members to know that we appreciate each and every one of you and are grateful for your continuing membership even though challenges of the COVID virus caused a temporary cessation of a hard copy newsletter for a few months last year and still prevents us from conducting monthly membership meetings at the Green Township Senior Center. Thank you so much!

## 35 FLOOD-PRONE PROPERTIES NEAR MUDDY CREEK ROAD WILL BE DESTROYED



The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati has been awarded a grant to demolish 35 flood-prone properties near Muddy Creek in Green Township and Cincinnati.

The \$4 million grant from FEMA and the Ohio Emergency Management Agency announced Friday, plus \$570,000 from MSD in

local cost share, will be used to purchase those properties along Muddy Creek Road between Glenway Avenue and Westbourne Drive. This move will address years of flooding and sewer backups in the affected homes. MSD explained that the homes, constructed in the 1950s, were built in a former creek bed, which was enclosed in a sewer.

MSD said the property owners have volunteered to participate in the program. MSD plans to acquire the properties and relocate the residents to "safe, comparable housing," beginning in early spring. The plan is to then "restore the area as a natural floodplain or storm water management area." The project is expected to take about two years to complete. Meanwhile, MSD is working with OEMA to purchase another five properties in the area.

Provided, Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati

The 100-year floodplain along Muddy Creek Road.

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