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Dear Property Owner,

On behalf of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) is pleased to remind you that you may be eligible to participate in the Kensico Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program (Program). The Program provides funding to assist homeowners in remediating or repairing eligible failing septic systems, or connecting failing systems to an existing sewage collection system.

The program was created to protect water quality in the Kensico Reservoir Watershed Basin by encouraging homeowners in the Kensico area to properly rehabilitate and maintain their septic systems. Owners of failing septic systems may obtain up to 50% reimbursement of eligible costs, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$25,000.

We encourage you to review the Fact Sheet on the reverse side of this letter and schedule an inspection of your septic system if you have not done so within the past three years. Additional information may also be obtained by going to EFC's website at [www.efc.ny.gov/Kensico](http://www.efc.ny.gov/Kensico), emailing EFC at [Kensico@efc.ny.gov](mailto:Kensico@efc.ny.gov), or calling EFC at 518-402-7461 and asking to speak with a Kensico Program Representative.

Sincerely,

Brian Hahn  
Program Coordinator



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# Kensico Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program

## The NYC Water Supply System

The New York City water supply system provides over one billion gallons of drinking water daily for nearly eight million City residents, as well as visitors, commuters, and approximately one million people living in Westchester, Putnam, and other upstate counties. The Kensico Reservoir, located in Westchester County, is the terminal reservoir for the City's Catskill/Delaware water supply system, meaning it is the last impoundment prior to entering the City's distribution system. Given the importance of the Kensico Reservoir to the City's Water Supply System, the Reservoir and its Watershed Basin are included in several Federally mandated water quality protection initiatives.

## Septic Program Overview

The goal of the Kensico Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program is to reduce the potential water quality impacts that may arise from failing septic systems in the Kensico Watershed Basin. In order to achieve this goal, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), working with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC), will reimburse eligible property owners up to 50% of the costs to rehabilitate failing septic systems in the Kensico Watershed, or connect those systems to an existing sewage collection system.

## How Do I Participate?

Owners of failing septic systems serving single family or two family residences with a design sewage flow of less than 1,000 gallons per day per family and located within the New York State portion of the Kensico Watershed are eligible for Program funding subject to Program rules and restrictions.

If you have had your septic system inspected by a Westchester County licensed septic contractor and have been advised that your system is not functioning properly, have received a Notice of Violation from the Westchester County Health Department on or after November 30, 2008, or if you otherwise believe your system may be in failure, contact EFC to determine your eligibility for reimbursement under the Program.

If eligible, you will receive a Program information packet that describes the following Program steps:

- Entering into the Program Agreement
- Obtaining a licensed contractor to complete the needed repairs
- Submitting a design proposal and/or scope of work to EFC for pre-approval
- Obtaining a preliminary reimbursement estimate from EFC
- Completing the rehabilitation and submitting an application for reimbursement

### **Need More Information?**

- Go to our Website at [www.efc.ny.gov/Kensico](http://www.efc.ny.gov/Kensico)
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