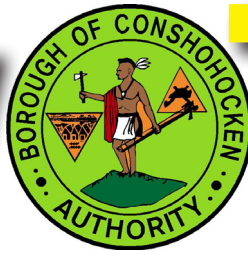


# Authority Times

News and Information for Customers  
of the Borough of Conshohocken Authority

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## Authority Sewer Rates Increase Slightly

In an effort to continue to maintain our current operating system while covering increasing operating costs and capital expenses, the Borough of Conshohocken Authority Board of Directors, following careful analysis and discussion with our professionals, have found it necessary to institute a slight increase in sewer rates.

Effective with the first quarterly billing in

2018, our customers' rates will adjust from \$3.07 per 1,000 gallons to \$3.30 per 1,000 gallons. In 2017 the average billed water usage for all users was 36,726 gallons. At that rate, the average Equivalent Dwelling Unit would be charged approximately \$292.75 per year in 2018, or roughly \$8 more per year for the same high-quality service.

The Equivalent Dwelling Unit service

charge of \$45, which was reduced from \$67 in 2013, will remain the same.

The Authority had maintained the same sewer rates since 2009. Prior to that, the Authority's last rate increase was enacted in 1991. Moving forward, the Authority intends to review its rate structure every five years to determine if minimal rate increases are necessary.

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## Summer Interns Sought

The Borough of Conshohocken Authority (BCA) is offering a paid internship to those looking for a career in Wastewater Treatment who are currently enrolled in the following areas of study: Environmental Engineering, Chemistry or Biology. This internship program will provide a meaningful work experience that will complement their academic training and career aspirations.

### Participants gain experience in:

- Operation and Maintenance of the Wastewa-

ter Treatment Facility

- Collection Conveyance System
- Laboratory Analysis
- Daily and Weekly Reports Preparation
- Interpreting and Evaluating Engineering Problems
- Repair Projects
- Wastewater Processing and Discharge
- Administrative and Clerical Work
- Professional Development

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### MEETINGS

**April 24**

**May 22**

**June 26**

**July 24**

**August 28**

**September 25**

**Meetings are held in  
the Authority office:  
601 East Elm St.  
Conshohocken**

**Meeting time 6:30 pm**

# Authority Seeks Summer Interns

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## Requirements:

- BCA internships are open to undergraduate or graduate students who attend an accredited college or university. Eligible students must meet the minimum cumulative GPA, which is 2.5 for undergraduate and 3.0 for graduate students, based on a 4.0 scale.

- Applicants must submit an application form, along with a current sealed official college transcript. The transcript may be mailed directly from the school; separate from the application.

- Applicants must write an essay based on your career aspirations and, if selected, what you would like to gain from this internship. The essay must be typed (double spaced) and should not exceed two pages in length.

- Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from an academic advisor

- Applicants must be 18 yrs of age by June 4, 2018.

- Applicants must be available from June 4 to August 17.

## Special Requirements:

- All applicants must be able to successfully pass a Pennsylvania State Police

background check processes which will include reference checks and criminal history checks.

- Applicants must also be able to pass or have a Driving Record Check.

The BCA is committed to supporting the educational goals of college students interested in careers in the public sector. This internship at the BCA will take you into the heart of the wastewater treatment industry.

Applications may be sent to [sclark@conshohockensa.com](mailto:sclark@conshohockensa.com) and must be submitted no later than May 4, 2018.

## It's Safe & Easy to Pay Your Sewer Bill Online



Visit [www.conshohockensa.com](http://www.conshohockensa.com) for more useful information.

## To Flush or Not to Flush

These Items Should Not Be Flushed Down the Toilet



- Baby wipes or diapers
- Disposable Wipes
- Paper Towels
- Pesticides
- Paint
- Pharmaceuticals
- Feminine Products
- Fat, grease, oil
- Cat litter

## Authority Sewer Rates Will Increase Slightly

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The Authority Board met multiple times with its rate consultant, Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc., reviewed the firm's analysis, which included numerous rate increase scenarios. The Authority Board asked a multitude of questions before ultimately deciding to act on the most fiscally sound rate structure increase for the community and our Authority.

The decision was not taken lightly, according to Authority Board Chairman Felix Raimondo.

"Our goal as a board is to provide the best service for the lowest price possible," Raimondo said. "We realize that cost increases can be difficult, particularly for our seniors and others on fixed incomes."

To help lessen the impact of the rate increase and show continued appreciation for its customers, the Authority will continue to offer a discount for prompt payments. Customers who pay within the first 15 days will receive a \$4 prompt pay discount per bill per quarter, or \$16 savings per year.

