

## Need help paying for septic system repairs?



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Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department wants to help you save money when you need to repair or replace your septic system. These resources will help you protect your investment, and prevent pollution—so we can all enjoy safe and clean water:

### **Clean Water Loan**

The Clean Water Loan program from Craft3 provides affordable loans for septic repairs, replacements, or sewer connections in Pierce County. You can complete a loan application online or print a copy to complete and mail. Craft3 is a nonprofit, non-bank Community Development Financial Assistance Institution. Visit [www.craft3.org](http://www.craft3.org) or call (888) 231-2170.

### **Pierce County Community Connections**

Community Connections, through the Pierce County Community Development Corporation, can provide affordable low interest loans for septic system repairs in parts of Pierce County. Visit [www.co.pierce.wa.us/index.aspx?nid=3093](http://www.co.pierce.wa.us/index.aspx?nid=3093) or call Laura Charbonneau, (253) 798-4344 or Shannon Shuman, (253) 798-6905.

### **Pierce County Septic Repair Program**

Low interest loans are available for repairs that significantly improve water quality in unincorporated Pierce County. Call Ray Hanowell, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, (253) 798-2845, or Barbara Ann Smolko, Pierce County Public Works and Utilities Surface Water Management, (253) 798-6156.

### **USDA Rural Development**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture provides loans in the rural areas of Pierce County for septic repairs through the Section 504 Rural Home Repair Program. Funding is based upon income. Visit [www.rurdev.usda.gov/wa](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/wa) or call the office of Rural Development at (360) 704-7760.

### **Sewer Connection Assistance**

Pierce County Public Works and Utilities Sewer Division provides matching funding to help connect properties with failing septic systems to the county's sewer system, if properties are within the county's sewer service area. Visit [www.co.pierce.wa.us/SewerConnectionAssistance](http://www.co.pierce.wa.us/SewerConnectionAssistance).