



# Village of Villa Park

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## Back Ups and Their Problems

The service line between your house and the Village sanitary sewer may be broken and partially plugged with roots. This could cause a sewer back up in your home. Diagram A depicts a typical residence sewer service. This shows a tree that clogged a private sewer service. Tree roots can clog a service or cause a break in a service line. Some lines can be rodded by a contractor of your choice at the homeowner's expense. If you do not have a contractor, ask Public Works for a list of plumbing contractors with insurance and licensing to repair your sewer. A question that frequently comes up is whether the Village will cover the expense of repairing or replacing a sewer. It is the homeowner's responsibility to do all repairs from the home sewer to the Village sanitary sewer (shown in Diagram A). If the sewer does need to have a spot repaired in the parkway or sewer replacement the Village does offer an upgrade / reimbursement policy as of March 11, 2004. Information on this program is available at the counter of the Public Works office. Upon review there is a \$1,000.00 maximum reimbursement to the property owner through the program. Any questions that you may have please feel free to call or stop in the Public Works office.

Diagram A – An example of a private sewer service pipe.

