

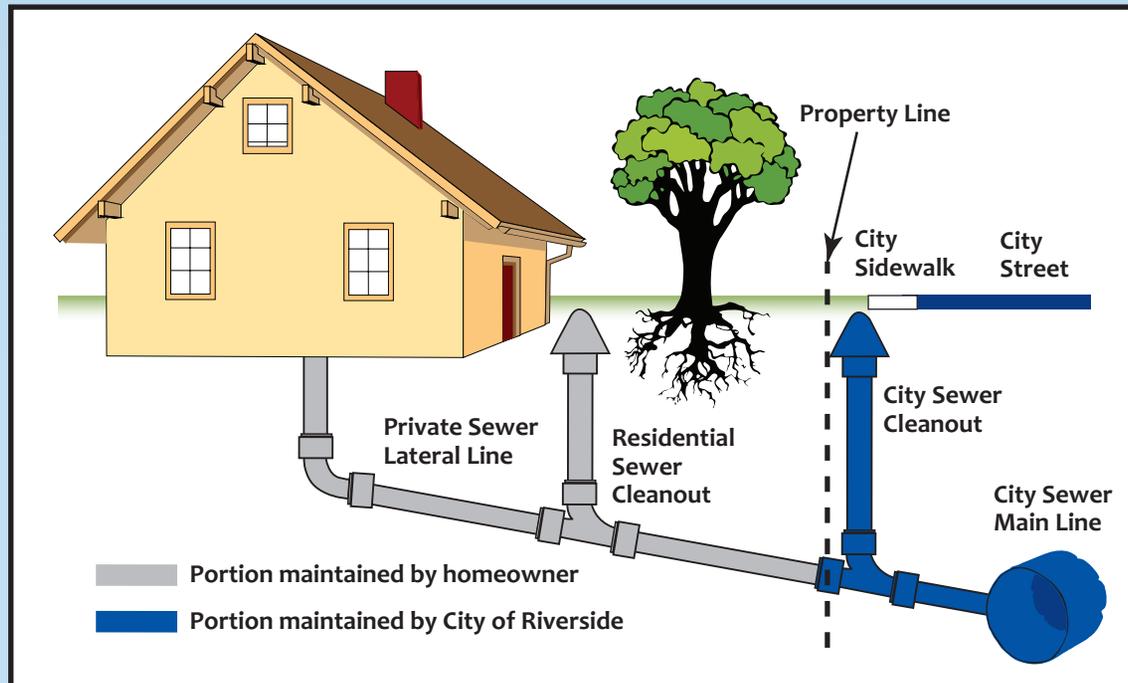
Did You Know?

All household plumbing is attached to a private sewer lateral line which carries waste from your house to the City's main sewer line. Care and maintenance of the private sewer lateral line is the responsibility of the homeowner. *Periodic cleaning is ESSENTIAL to keep household waste flowing!*

Problem Solving

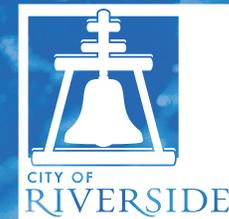
If your lateral line is blocked, it is your responsibility to determine the cause and remove the blockage. Most licensed plumbers can provide services to clear a lateral.

If there is an issue with your sewer line and a licensed plumber or contractor determines the problem is caused by the City's portion of the line, then you should immediately contact the 3-1-1 Call Center at (951) 826-5311. City Staff will be dispatched to investigate the issue.



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Fats, Oils and Grease

Remember to put your fats, oils and grease from the pan into a container, not down the drain.

Save yourself from a grease build-up problem later. Help keep your lateral line and the City's main lines flowing freely. No one wants to have raw sewage in the house, on the ground, or in the street.

It takes everyone doing their share to keep our sewer lines clean and the environment safe for all of us.



Tree Roots

If properly installed, your household lateral line will not allow the intrusion of tree roots. Occasionally, a line is installed improperly, or due to age, the joints in the lateral fail.

This allows thirsty roots to seek water and nourishment from your lateral line.

If the line is not inspected and maintained properly, the roots will block the flow from your house and cause back up of the drains. This could cause flooding damage.

Care should be given to plant trees away from lateral lines.

For more information visit [RiversideCa.gov/publicworks](https://www.RiversideCa.gov/publicworks) or call 826-5311