

Akron Borough

Spring Newsletter

March 2026

Upcoming Community Events

- Saturday, April 4th - Akron Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt
- Saturday, April 11th - Akron Vol. Fire Co. Chicken BBQ
- Saturday, April 25th - Akron Vol. Fire Co. Sportsman's Bingo
- Friday, May 15th - Movie Night @ Broad Street Park
- Saturday, May 30th - Free Doc Shredding @ Brownstown CTC
- Saturday, June 13th - Akron Lions Club "Akron Day in the Park"
- Friday, June 19th - Movie Night @ Broad Street Park



Important Dates

- Sunday, March 15th - Water/Sewer Bills Due
- Friday, March 20th - First Day of Spring
- Friday, April 3rd - Good Friday, Akron Borough Office Closed
- Wednesday, April 15th - Tax Day
- Friday, May 15th - Water/Sewer Bills Mailed
- Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day, Akron Borough Office Closed
- Monday, June 15th - Water/Sewer Bills Due



Borough Council Meetings

Akron Borough Council meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30pm at the Borough Office. Agendas are posted to the website, Facebook, and on the doors at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. A Zoom link is always offered for those who cannot attend in person.

Water and Sewer Billing

Akron Borough bills quarterly for water and sewer usage. Bills will be mailed in February, May, August, and November, at least 30 days prior to the due date. The due dates for quarterly billing will always be:

- **March 15th**
- **June 15th**
- **September 15th**
- **December 15th**

Did you know that we have a secure payment drop box located in the municipal office vestibule? It is accessible to residents 24/7/365. Any payment received in the drop box before 8:30am on the first business day following the due date will be considered on-time. This means even if the 15th falls on a weekend, your payment by cash or check would still be on time if received before the office opens for business. Online payments will be considered on time if received before 12am on the 16th.

Please use PO Box 130 when mailing payment to Akron Borough. Cash, check and card are all accepted at the Borough Office, Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm. A convenience fee of 2.65% (\$3.00 minimum) will be assessed for payment via card.

We also accept electronic check payments online. You will need your 9-digit routing number and your account number from your check. A convenience fee of \$1.50 is assessed for processing your check electronically.

www.akron-pa.com/administrative/pay-online

Effective February 1, 2026, the water rate increased from \$8.25/1,000 gallons to \$8.50/1,000 gallons. The sewer rate increased from \$15.25/1,000 gallons to \$15.75/1,000 gallons. This increase will be reflected in your May 15, 2026 bill.

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Working Together to Prevent Vehicle Break-Ins

As we welcome the spring season and spend more time outdoors, the West Earl Township Police Department would like to take a moment to connect with our community about an issue we tend to see increase this time of year—vehicle break-ins.

These incidents are often not targeted crimes, but rather crimes of opportunity. In many cases, suspects simply walk through neighborhoods checking for unlocked vehicles or valuables left in plain sight. The good news is that, together, we can make a significant impact in preventing these incidents.

Community safety is a shared responsibility, and small steps taken by residents can go a long way in protecting not only your property, but your neighborhood as a whole.

Here are some simple ways we can work together to prevent vehicle break-ins:

Lock Your Vehicle – Every Time

One of the most effective deterrents is also the simplest. Get in the habit of locking your car doors, even when parked at home.

Remove or Hide Valuables

Items left in plain view can attract unwanted attention. Before arriving home or at your destination, place valuables out of sight or in the trunk.

Keep Your Property Well-Lit

Exterior lighting, especially motion-activated lights, helps discourage suspicious activity.

Utilize Cameras and Technology

Doorbell cameras and home security systems not only deter crime but can also assist us in investigations if needed.

Secure Your Keys and Key Fobs

Avoid leaving keys in your vehicle and consider storing key fobs away from entry points to your home.

Close Windows and Secure Your Vehicle Fully

Even partially open windows can provide an easy opportunity for entry.

Be a Good Neighbor

Look out for one another. If something doesn't seem right—such as individuals checking vehicles or walking through driveways late at night—please report it. Your call could prevent a crime in progress.

At the West Earl Township Police Department, we are committed to proactive policing and building strong relationships with our residents. We encourage open communication and want you to feel comfortable reaching out to us with concerns, questions, or information.

By staying aware and working together, we can continue to keep Akron Borough a safe and welcoming community for everyone.

If you have any questions or would like additional safety tips, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Stay safe, stay connected, and enjoy the spring season.

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Grass Clippings

Please remember when mowing your grass, the clippings are not to be blown onto the roadway. Grass on the road is a safety hazard to motorcyclists and bicyclists. These clippings will be washed into the storm drains which can create clogs and cause drainage and flooding issues. Grass clippings that are blown into the streets can also end up in the local waterways. This can be harmful to the habitats and wildlife living in the waterways. It can contaminate them with chemicals from lawn maintenance.

If you blow your grass onto the roadway while mowing, please clean it up when you are done.

Solicitation

When someone comes to your door looking to sell you something, you have the right to ask them to show their permit. All solicitors are issued a permit and should have the permit with them.

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