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## **Guilford Township Awarded over \$1.3 Million for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure**

**Guilford Township, Franklin County** – [Rep. Rob Kaufman \(R-89\)](#) and [Sen. Doug Mastriano \(R-33\)](#) yesterday announced nearly \$1.342 million in state grants have been awarded for wastewater and water infrastructure projects in Guilford Township, Franklin County.

“The \$1 million grant for Guilford Township Authority is part of a larger project to expand Guilford sewer service to the Town of Marion to hundreds of homes, two schools, commercial businesses and The Marion Volunteer Fire Department,” said Kauffman. “The project will eliminate on-lot systems in an area prone to failing septic systems contaminating ground water aquifers, as well as provide for the planned growth of the community.”

The Guilford Water Authority was also recognized with a \$342,000 grant for the Scotland Road water main replacement project. This project will update and modernize water distribution infrastructure to provide improved fire flow and community water service for residents in the Village of Scotland.

The Guilford Township Authority Grant is being funded with money from the federal [COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Act \(ARPA\) that is disbursed through the H2O PA Program](#).

The Guilford Water Authority Grant is being funded with money from the federal [COVID-19 ARPA funds administered through the PA Small Water and Sewer \(SWS\) Program](#).

“I advocated for each of these grants, which will enrich the communities we represent in Franklin County,” said Kauffman. “Ensuring residents have sufficient access to water and sewer services is vital to the growth of our region.”

“Our duty is to serve our residents with the infrastructure needed to assure their health, safety and welfare” Don Clapper, Guilford Township’s administrative officer, said. “We are very grateful to Rep. Kauffman for his very strong support of this project and its funding request. Without Rep. Kauffman’s advocacy, this project would place an undue hardship on our rate payers”.

Guilford Township greatly appreciates the support from Representative Kauffman and Senator Mastriano in delivering these grants for these vital township projects aiding in reducing the burden on water and wastewater customers.

The grants were awarded by the [Commonwealth Financing Authority \(CFA\)](#). The CFA was created in 2004 as an independent agency of the [Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development](#) to administer the commonwealth’s economic stimulus packages.

Established by the General Assembly in 2008, the [H2O PA](#) Program provides for single-year and multi-year grants for the construction of drinking water, sanitary sewer and

storm sewer projects; the construction or renovation of flood control projects; and the repair or rehabilitation of high-hazard unsafe dams.

The [SWS Program](#) provides grants for small water, sewer, and storm water infrastructure projects. Municipalities and municipal authorities that own and maintain a public water supply, sanitary sewer or storm water systems are eligible to apply as long as their projects exceed a total cost of \$30,000.