Grants to Counties Program

Financial Assistance for Water Well Sampling, Plugging, and Renovation







How does the program work?

In an effort to help homeowners keep their water supply safe, grant money is available to:

- Provide free well tests to residents who own a private well
- Assist with well renovation to wells in need to upgrade
- Assist with the plugging of un-needed, un-wanted, or abandoned wells and cisterns

Who is eligible for assistance?

Scott County residents who own a private well or cistern are eligible.

When should you have your private well tested?

Private wells should be tested at least once a year.

In addition, you should also test your well if:

- There are known problems with well water in your area
- You have experienced problems near your well (flooding, land disturbances, and nearby waste disposal sites)
- You replace or repair any part of your well system
- You notice a change in water quality (taste, color, odor)

Prevent Water Contamination

Un-needed, un-wanted, and abandoned water wells can contribute to groundwater contamination and pose a hazard for our current drinking water supplies. Well plugging is done by removing the pumping system, filling a well with approved fill and sealing materials, and removal of the upper 4 feet of well casing. Once a well is properly plugged, there should be no further well safety issues of future threat to groundwater.

Learn more!

Interested in finding out more about the Grants to Counties program? Contact the Scott County Health Department at 563-326-8618. Funding for this program is available until it runs out.



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