

City of South Haven

Drinking Water | Wastewater | Storm & Sewer Improvements



The City of South Haven's utility systems are in very poor condition and failing. The existing drinking water distribution system contains significant bacterial slime and mold growth. The water tower has interior and exterior lead-based paint issues and structural deficiencies. Poor sanitary sewer piping has led to residential sewer backups. Storm sewer improvements are needed to prevent current flooding events resulting from a failed storm system and poor road elevations.



Bacterial Slime

Project Affordability

- The population of South Haven is 185 people.
- 51.4% of the households are low to moderate income households; 15.5% fall below the actual poverty line.
- Residents average \$90/month in utility costs and will grow \$190/year without bonding support.
- As part of this project, the city will establish a reserve/replacement account.
 - HF 674
 - SF 531

Funded - In Progress

Phases 1 & 2

Phase 1 utility work totaled \$7.5 million and began fall of 2022. It has been funded and includes:

- New well and well house with watermain connection
- New water tower
- Watermain distribution system work
- New main lift station and improvements to lift station access road

Phase 2 utility work totaled \$3.5 million and allowed for:

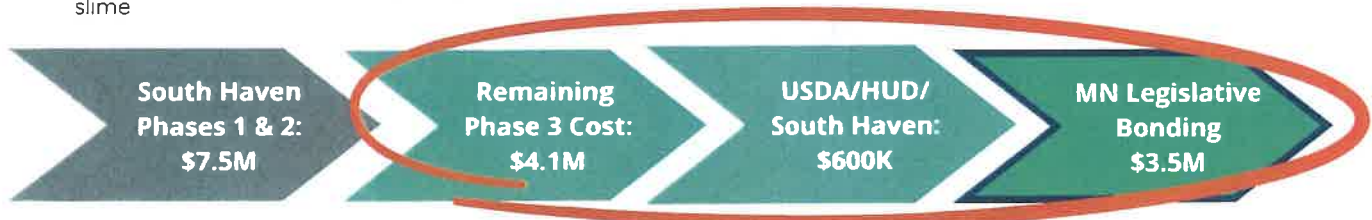
- Watermain replacement required to alleviate bacterial slime

Funds Needed

Phase 3 Project Scope

Phase 3 utility work will total \$4.1 million and will begin once funding is secured. This project includes:

- New drinking water treatment filters
- Stormwater outlet improvements: the current outlet is insufficient and leads to considerable flooding and backups
- Lift Station road access to prevent flooding by raising access road
- CWRP PPL Rank 307
- DWRP PPL Rank 750



Why Your Support Matters Now

South Haven knows this project will improve the quality of life, health, safety, and well-being for the residents and visitors to their community. The City of South Haven is respectfully requesting **\$3.5 million** in Minnesota Legislative Bonding to leverage Federal and City funding proposed to complete this project