



Nuisance FAQs

What if I received a nuisance letter?

What if I have concerns about the letter I received?

Call WCNDD. WCNDD works with property owners to resolve any nuisance issues before the issue gets brought to the City Council or Village Board.

Does WCNDD go on my property to take pictures?

Never. Nuisance Officers do not get out of their marked vehicle and only travel on public roadways and alleys. Cameras used have zoom lenses.

I only have one item and there are properties that have a lot more, why am I getting the letter?

The nuisance program is fair and equitable. For example, if a letter is not sent to the person with one tire, a letter should not be sent to the person with twenty tires.

Why is my house being reviewed? Who complained about my property?

The program is area driven, not complaint driven. The City Council/Village Board chooses which portion of the community is reviewed each year.

Who else got a letter?

Anyone with violations in the area selected for review. Even staff/elected officials or businesses may receive the letter as the reviews are fair and equitable for all members of the community.

Why are City/Village funds spent on this project?

Please feel free to discuss this concern at the meetings which are open to the public. The adoption of the nuisance ordinance as well as the implementation of the nuisance program are all discussed and agreed upon at these meetings.

Why are the letters sent by certified mail, which is costly?

The program ensures that due process is given to all property owners. Certified mail is one of the most effective tools to verify that the property owner was notified and knows their rights.

What if I don't agree that the items in the letter are accurately described?

Call WCNDD. Nuisance Officers will work with property owners. The goal of the program and City Council/Village Board is not to abate. Communication is helpful and often extensions to complete the work are granted.

What if I don't think this program is legitimate?

The program follows the ordinance as set by the community. Both the ordinance and process are backed by state laws.

What if my letter says I have a dead tree but I don't?

Call WCNDD, maybe there's dead limbs or branches, which the ordinance also covers.

What is WCNDD?

WCNDD is a local organization that does a variety of beneficial projects for communities in the 18-county region. We're more than just nuisance! Last year alone, WCNDD secured more than \$1.8 million in funding for communities to address housing needs, infrastructure, planning, and more. Visit our website to learn more about our agency.