



STORMWATER

The grass is growing and the flowers are starting to bloom! So the Question is..

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY GRASS CLIPPINGS?

1. Leave them on the lawn You may not love the way it looks but did you know leaving those short grass clippings on your lawn can add back up to 25% of the nutrients that growth removes from it.

2. Compost An easy solution is to add them to a compost. You can add them in fresh or let them dry out, either way your compost will love it!

3. Free mulch You can make your own organic mulch to help your plants retain moisture, suppress weeds, fertilize, and keep the soil cooler. Lay about a quarter-inch thick layer of fresh or dried grass clippings around your plants for your own free mulch.

4. Plant food You can essentially make 'tea' from your grass clippings to use for watering your plants. This is a great way to add loads of nutrients to your plants. To make it, take your grass clippings and add them to a large bucket with water, allow them to steep for about 3 days, strain, and water your plants!

5. Animal feed Grass clippings can be used to make cattle or sheep feed! Yes, you probably do not have livestock living in Saint Albans but there are plenty of farms around you could check with.

6. Raised garden beds Using raised garden beds are a great way to better control your garden soil. Adding grass clippings, and even leaves is, a great eco-friendly filler, top with cardboard and fill the remaining bed space with soil.

7. Natural Dye Fresh grass clippings can be used as a great natural dye for Easter eggs or fabric! Try 4 cups water with 4 cups grass clippings, bring them to a boil and simmer, covered, for 60 minutes. Cool the liquid completely and strain into a bowl or jar with 1 TBS of vinegar to every cup of liquid dye you end up with and start dying! Leave the eggs/fabric in the dye for several hours or overnight.



Friendly reminder!
Don't leave your grass clippings in the street.
We want to avoid grass clippings leaves and plant trimmings from clogging stormwater drains
See Ordinance 943.11 for more information.



DID YOU KNOW

Grass blades absorb and disperse the sun's rays and prevent the ground from absorbing and storing the sun's radiant heat. In turn, this makes your house cooler by making the surrounding ground cooler. Grass cover can keep the ground cool at temperatures anywhere between 30 – 40 degrees Fahrenheit.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SA?

Glow Party for all Elementary Aged Kids
 Friday, May 10th
 7pm - 9pm
 SA High School

FREE ADMISSION
 buy food, dj playing
 music, & face painting

St. Albans Founders Day!
 Saturday, May 11th
 10am - 4pm
 Main ST

14th annual Founders
 Day with food, arts &
 crafts, and entertainment!

Annual St. Albans City Wide Yard Sale!
 Saturday, May 18th

All registered yard sales
 will be on a download-
 able map found at:
mysawv.com/cwys.html

Tech Time
 Thursday, May 23rd
 SA Library 6:00pm

Evan Swisher will be
 teaching basic mainte-
 nance techniques to
 keep your computer in
 peak condition!



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www.stalbansmuc.com

YOU WILL NEED TO SET UP AN ACCOUNT THE FIRST TIME YOU USE THE SYSTEM, SO BE
 SURE TO HAVE YOUR MUC ACCOUNT NUMBER READY.
 YOU CAN OPT TO MAKE A ONE TIME PAYMENT OR HAVE A REOCCURING PAYMENT EACH MONTH.

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CALL OUR AUTOMATED SYSTEM AT
1-833-208-7483

AND MAKE YOUR PAYMENT OVER THE PHONE.
 MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR MUC ACCOUNT NUMBER READY.
 A CONVENIENCE FEE OF \$1.50 WILL BE ADDED TO ALL CREDIT AND DEBIT CARD PAYMENTS.

SIGN UP FOR MONTHLY AUTOMATIC DEDUCTIONS!

FILL OUT THE FORM ON THE BACK OF THE BILLING STUB AND RETURN IT TO US WITH A VOIDED
 CHECK TO HAVE US AUTOMATICALLY DEDUCT YOUR PAYMENT EACH MONTH FROM YOUR CHECK-
 ING OR SAVINGS ACCOUNT, 1-4 DAYS BEFORE THE DUE DATE OF THE 20TH. YOU WILL STILL
 RECEIVE A BILL EACH MONTH SHOWING YOU THE AMOUNT TO BE DEDUCTED.

YOU CAN STILL PAY THROUGH YOUR BANK'S WEBSITE BUT BE SURE TO ALLOW 3-7 DAYS FOR
 PROCESSING. WHEN YOU HIT THE SEND BUTTON WE DO NOT AUTOMATICALLY RECEIVE YOUR
 PAYMENT. MAKE SURE YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER AND PAYEE ARE CORRECT TO INSURE PROPER
 CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

STILL WANT TO WRITE A CHECK? WE HAVE A DRIVE-THRU WINDOW OR IF YOU ARE PAYING AFTER
 HOURS WE HAVE A DROP BOX SLOT LOCATED AT THE DRIVE-THRU. PLEASE MAKE SURE TO WRITE
 YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK AND RETURN YOUR BILLING STUB WITH YOUR
 PAYMENT TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE CONVENIENT OPTIONS AND MAKE PAYING YOUR BILL EASIER!
 Security Deposits cannot be paid by credit or debit card – cash, check, or money order in office only.