

# **Mission Statement for the Port Washington Water Pollution Control District's Sewer Lateral Maintenance Department**

**The District has an aggressive program for maintaining and cleaning our sewer lateral system. Periodic flushing of sewer laterals is our fundamental strategy for maintaining hydraulic capacity of the collection system, and ultimately helping prevent stoppages in our system.**

**Periodic flushing is classified as:**

- Proactive, for the District sewers with no history of problems. These are on a routine schedule and are cleaned at least once a year.**
- Preventive, for sewer laterals that have experienced more frequent blockages. These lines are cleaned two or three times each year on a scheduled basis.**
- Emergency cleanings, performed when required to remediate the impacts of stoppages. While the type of emergency may be different, the methods and equipment used are similar. These include high pressure water jetting, vacuuming and rodding.**
- In addition, a closed circuit high definition television inspection unit is utilized to evaluate the condition of the District's sewer lines.**