



HIGHLIGHT STORY

Illinois American Water Celebrates Multiple Safety Milestones

Illinois American Water marked several significant safety milestones in 2020. In May, the wastewater service team in the Village of Godfrey, Illinois became the second Illinois American Water team to celebrate two decades without a single lost-time injury. In August, the Cairo District added to their record and celebrated 21 consecutive years of safety excellence.

Beth Matthews, Illinois American Water Vice President of Operations, said, “These achievements are a testament to the long-time commitment to safety by our team members. We are proud to be a part of this accomplishment and to recognize our employees.”

Several other Illinois American Water teams celebrated safety milestones in 2020, including:

- **May:** The Lincoln District celebrated 12 years;
- **August:** The Streator District celebrated 12 years; and
- **December:** The Alton Production team celebrated 13 years.

Bernie Sebold, Senior Health & Safety Manager credited the teams for their commitment to safety. “The work they do is complex, and with the COVID-19 public health emergency, our colleagues faced additional challenges. I am proud of how the company responded and our continued focus on not only delivering essential water service to homes and businesses, but also remaining focused on safety.”

The safety excellence demonstrated is the result of an enduring, dedicated focus on worker health and safety. Illinois American Water employees work tirelessly to provide critical water and/or wastewater service to homes and businesses. To provide these critical services for public health, fire protection and household uses, employees may need to work in confined spaces, among motorists and in extreme weather. Employees may also handle chemicals, conduct excavation and operate heavy equipment.

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