

Value of Water

Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department

Water is essential to all life. Without it, there would not be any food, manufacturing, fire protection and electricity to name a few. The Biscayne Aquifer provides most of the water to Miami-Dade County, but it takes **14,000 miles of underground pipes, 1,047 pump stations, 210,000 drinking water tests per year, a ton of equipment, and people working 24/7** to deliver safe, quality water to homes and businesses; and then, to treat and dispose of the wastewater. Miami-Dade residents get safe, quality water for less than a penny a gallon straight to their homes and businesses and it cannot be taken for granted.



Note: Prices may vary due to sales, demands, stores and other market factors.

Survey Results

90%

Believe water is as important as electricity¹

69%

Agree clean water access is taken for granted¹

71%

Favor a total water system upgrade²

65%

Support a WASD rate increase as a means of paying for improvements²



Miami-Dade Water is a great value!

The average Miami-Dade Water and Sewer customer pays \$55.20 for 6,750 gallons per month. The value of water is one of the most economical utility expenses and the dollars accrued go a long way.

YOUR DOLLAR AT WORK

Capital Improvement Program 59%

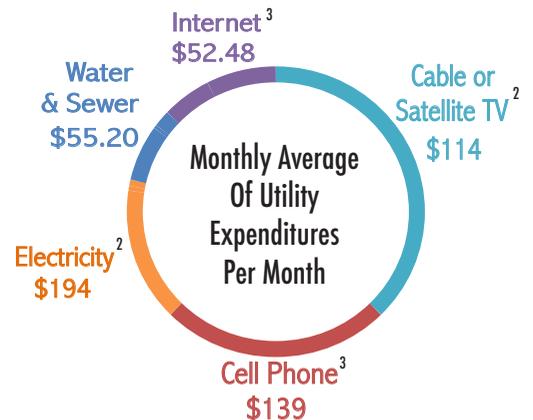
Potable Water Services 15%



Wastewater Services 22%

Sustainability & Resiliency 4%

\$55.20
per month
for average customer



1. Survey Results from the 2012 Value of Water Index based on a telephone study of 1,008 American voters. www.xylem.com/valueofwater
 2. 2013 WASD telephone survey of 600 households in Miami-Dade County conducted by Behavioral Science Research.
 3. J.D. Power and Associates and Cost of living data from www.numbeo.com