



CITY OF FLINT

Office of the Mayor
City of Flint, Michigan

April 9, 2025

To:

Deborah Greenspan
Special Master
BlankRome LLP
1825 Eye Street NW
Washington, DC 20006

Subject: Urgent Action Needed to Expedite Flint Water Crisis Settlement Payments

Dear Special Master Greenspan,

I write to you today on behalf of the residents of Flint, Michigan who have waited far too long for the justice and restitution they were promised. The Flint Water Crisis was not only a public health emergency but also a catastrophic breach of trust that inflicted lasting harm on our community.

The settlement secured for our residents was meant to be a step toward healing and accountability. Unfortunately, the continued delays in distributing these funds have only served to reopen old wounds and prolong the hardship.

Flint families are still grappling with the devastating effects of lead exposure—ongoing health challenges, overwhelming medical expenses, and emotional distress that no amount of money can erase. Yet these funds represent a vital step toward recovery. Each additional delay deepens frustration and financial strain for those who have already endured more than anyone should.

I urge your office to act with the urgency and compassion that this situation demands. Please take all necessary steps to expedite the settlement payment process. Streamline any remaining administrative procedures, provide clear and regular updates to the public, and ensure that all eligible residents receive the compensation they are owed as swiftly as possible.

The people of Flint are resilient. They want to move forward—to rebuild, to heal, and to turn the page. The sooner these settlement payments are delivered, the sooner that healing process can truly begin.

The City of Flint and my administration stand ready to assist in any way to ensure the prompt and just distribution of these funds. Please, do not hesitate to contact us, no matter how large or small your request may be. Our residents have waited long enough—it is time to honor the commitments made to them.

For the love of our community,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sheldon A. Neeley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor, City of Flint