

On October 2, 2018, Ridgewood Water hosted its first of four Community Open Houses in the Borough of Midland Park at the Fire House Social Hall. These open houses follow the recent distribution of a Public Notification Supplement to the 2018 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. Local customers and members of the community were invited to engage with their water utility by visiting a series of tables on the topics of Ridgewood Water 101, Working with Regulators, Emerging Contaminants, About Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS), Ridgewood Water's Action Plan, and Communications & Customer Service.

Participants included elected and governmental officials from the Borough of Midland Park, Village of Ridgewood leaders, local residents from the community and the press. Participant exit surveys provided positive and constructive feedback that the utility plans to incorporate at future events. Ridgewood Water looks forward to hosting three more sessions in the next few weeks: October 4<sup>th</sup> at the Wyckoff Public Library in the Henry J. Shotmeyer Room, October 11<sup>th</sup> at the Anne Zusy Youth Center of Village Hall in Ridgewood, and October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Glen Rock Borough Hall Council Chambers. The sessions will be open between the hours of 6 and 8 pm. There will be light refreshments and a coloring station for children.

