

# PUGET SOUND

## National Estuary Program

### SNOHOMISH COUNTY SAVVY SEPTIC

Snohomish County's Savvy Septic Program is a one-stop-shop for financing options and education to help homeowners maintain a healthy septic system.

#### What we're doing

Savvy Septic launched in 2014 and provides county homeowners with:

- Low-interest loans
- Low-income grants
- Maintenance rebates, and
- Free septic care workshops



#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Maintaining healthy septic systems is critical for clean water. Well-functioning septic systems also protect our aquatic ecosystems, the health and safety of county residents, and the value of your home. Regular inspections help ensure your system is working properly and can detect problems before they turn into larger and more costly repairs.

#### ABOUT SAVVY SEPTIC

To date, the Savvy Septic program has:

- Provided 18 low-interest loans
- Made 36 low-income grants
- Repaired or replaced 67 failing septic systems
- Issued 370 maintenance rebates
- Treated 4.3 million gallons of water annually



#### WHY IS THIS ISSUE IMPORTANT?

Approximately 75% of Snohomish County's 80,000 septic systems are 25 years old or older and many are near bodies of water. By maintaining a clean and healthy septic system, participants are investing in clean water for their families and the greater community.



#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

[www.savvyseptic.org](http://www.savvyseptic.org)

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