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A VILLAGE WITH VALUES

A TOWN OF TRADITIONS

Examples of Cross Connections:

- Garden hoses submerged in pools, buckets, or connected to chemical sprayers
- Irrigation systems without proper backflow prevention
- Boilers or HVAC systems connected to potable water without backflow protection
- Hose bibs without vacuum breakers
- Fire sprinkler systems connected to the water supply without a backflow preventer
- Dishwashers or laundry machines with direct connections to the water line

Best Practices for Cross-Connection Control:

- Install backflow prevention devices on all cross-connections
- Ensure hose bibs are equipped with vacuum breakers
- Avoid submerging hoses in non-potable water or chemicals
- Conduct regular inspections and maintenance of backflow devices
- Label and isolate any alternate water sources
- Train staff or building occupants on safe water use and the risks of cross-connections
- Keep records of all testing and inspection results for compliance verification

These steps help protect your water system and the public supply from potential contamination.

