

December 4, 2025

Dear St. Marys Community,

We sincerely regret to inform you that the **St. Marys Community Pool will not reopen for the 2026 season.** This decision comes after a thorough feasibility study and city review, which identified **significant deficiencies in the facility**. These include a shift in pool structure, loss of 2 inches of water daily (equating to an alarming 13,740 gallons daily or 96,000 gallons weekly), rust and corrosion, visible separation at deck joints, noncompliant overflow gutters, and aging mechanical systems that are at the end of their service life as the reuse of the pool has been deemed unfeasible.

City officials emphasize that this closure is necessary to ensure **safety and long-term enjoyment** for everyone in our community. Replacement options are being explored, and a final rendering of the replacement will be shared once completed. A multi-phase construction project and fundraising plan are being developed to bring the aquatic facility back better than ever.

We understand the pool is a cherished part of our community, and we are committed to keeping you updated every step of the way. Thank you for your patience, understanding, and continued support.

Stay tuned for updates on the renovation plans, fundraising efforts, and anticipated reopening.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH T. FLEMING City Manager