

**VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO
ORDINANCE 2018-35**

**REPEALING SECTION 1040.12 “UTILITY ROUND UP FUND” AND ENACTING NEW
SECTION 1040.12 ENTITLED “UTILITY ROUND UP PROGRAM” CREATING A
UTILITY ROUND UP PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Village of Yellow Springs accepts payments from customers for each of its utilities, and

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Yellow Springs, through Ordinance 2018-34 established a fund whereby utility customers can choose to overpay their utility bills by rounding their payments up to a whole dollar amount and such overpayments are then allocated to a designated fund with monies held for the benefit of qualifying utility customers of the Village who are in need and who request financial assistance in paying a delinquent utility bill, and

WHEREAS, new Section 1040.12 establishes the program whereby funds may be administered,

**NOW, THEREFORE, COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO
HEREBY ORDAINS THAT:**

Section 1. A Utility Round Up Program is hereby enacted to read as set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2. The Village Finance Director shall establish procedures relating to the administration of the Utility Round Up Program.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Signed: Brian Housh, Vice President of Council

Passed: 10-15-2018

Attest: _____
Judith Kintner, Clerk of Council

Roll Call: Housh __Y__ MacQueen __Y__ Hempfling __Y__
 Stokes __Y__ Kreeger __Y__

EXHIBIT A

1040.12 Utility Round Up Program

- (a) The Village hereby creates a Utility Round Up Program for the purpose assisting qualified Village utility customers.
- (b) The Village Finance Director, is hereby authorized to review and amend the procedures by which the program is administered as needed.
- (c) To be eligible for the program, a customer must:
 - 1. Be a residential customer of Village utility services. Commercial customers are not eligible.
 - 2. Be under threat of disconnection of utility services due to non-payment
 - 3. Agree to go on a payment plan of up to six (6) months for the remaining balance of the past due amount, and adhere to that plan. Failure to adhere to the plan may result in ineligibility for future assistance from the Utility Round Up Program. This requirement shall be waived if written documentation prohibiting participation in a payment plan is provided by a landlord.
 - 4. Must not have received assistance from the Utility Round Up Program within the last twelve (12) months.
 - 5. Applications must be received by the Village Utility Office no later than noon the 20th day of each month to ensure consideration for that month.
- (d) Current procedures are maintained on file with the Village Utility Office.