

Cook County Leak Repair: Invitation for Bid

Questions and Answers

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Q1. Besides fixture replacement how far are we going with repair? Are we replacing things like cabinets?

A cabinet would NOT be allowed. What is allowed are "Faucet add ons" necessary to make a sink functional.

As stated in the IFB on page 12, "When required for faucet/sink functionality, this includes sink drains, stoppers, p traps, or other accessible (not behind walls or floors) repairs needed. To be billed in 0.25 hour increments, for a maximum of 1 hour."

These "faucet add ons" are only for repairs beyond what is already included for the fixture replacement. The details on what is included and expected with each fixture replacement is included in Appendix A: Eligible Measures.

Any additional work is not included in the scope for this program. Participants with larger leak repairs may be referred to the water restoration component of the program.

Q2. Is there one set price for the entire program or is there an escalator?

There is no escalator pricing. Pricing provided lasts for the entire program.

Q3. Do plumbers need to use American made parts for replacement and repairs?

This program is funded by a federal grant. To the greatest extent practicable, Elevate has a preference for goods, products, and materials produced in the United States. See Exhibit C, Item 1 on page 29 of the IFB for the exact requirements. Note this program is NOT considered infrastructure since it is working in private homes.