

The Importance of the Water Industry

If it weren't for one element in our life or communities, we wouldn't be functional without it; many take water for granted. Water significantly impacts your communities and essential functions on our bodies. We automatically go towards the sink when we're thirsty without realizing the process of providing clean water as a daughter of an employee who has been involved in the water industry for over 30 years and is a volunteer firefighter. I understand the importance of the water industry first-hand.

When I was younger, I always remember my father receiving multiple phone calls at any hour of the day and immediately having to resolve the situation by fixing the issue, even though it might be midnight. He worked additional hours to resolve other people's problems in their private residences. My father made me much more aware of how the water Industry has significantly impacted the community.

As a citizen of Cavalier, I had the experience of agriculture's importance and its involvement in the water industry. Our local farmers struggled to produce crops quite a few years ago because of the dry conditions. Our farmers were able to utilize additional water resources to ensure that these crops could grow. In this situation, water was something that we needed to survive to produce food in our community and just the basic unit of life to survive. Without realizing how many things are dependent on water daily.

The pool that contains water you visit every week, the water coming from the hose that saved a family in a fire, or just watering your plants at night. Those all involve water produced by your local water industry. You may not realize how much water you're using until being taken away. Commonly individuals waste gallons of water just brushing their teeth in the morning by leaving the faucet running. If it weren't for the water industry in our local communities, that

could provide additional water. So that you can run your dishwasher, washing machine, water heater, and faucets.

Once you know the water system and how the process works, you realize there's more involved than you may think. You probably have seen a house or grass lit with flames. The water from hose that prevents the fire from spreading and harming lives likely comes from the water tower in your town. Everything connects just like a circle.

Knowing that water Industry has been so impactful throughout the state, I realized this at a young age by seeing my father's dedication to the city and its water system. I wouldn't fully understand that one little thing Element can impact the whole community. For this, I will never take a cup of water for granted from faucet in the morning.

