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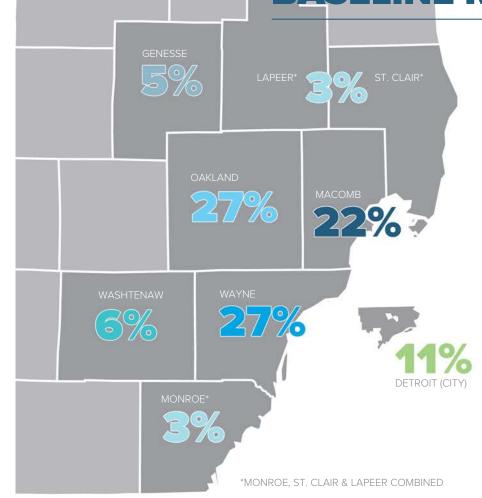


#### **Project Background**

Now in its fourth year of operations, GLWA's board has requested that **residents become a key audience** for the Authority's communications. While GLWA is a B2B wholesaler, it is important for end consumers to understand the source of their drinking water, especially in a post-Flint world.

With distrust and misinformation rampant, a brand awareness campaign will allow GLWA to **speak directly to the end consumer** allowing the Authority **to educate and reassure residents** in Southeast Michigan that **their water is of the highest quality**.

### **BASELINE RESEARCH STUDY OVERVIEW**



An online survey was fielded with 827 qualified residents in counties GLWA serves from March 7-22, 2019.

This study will be repeated at intervals to track change in key performance indicators from this baseline measurement.

The following KPIs are reported in this summary:

- 1. Unaided awareness of GLWA
- 2. Aided awareness/familiarity of GLWA
- 3. Identification of GLWA with four descriptor statements
- 4. Accuracy of GLWA descriptions by those familiar with GLWA
- 5. Agreement with GLWA attributes
- 6. Trust in GLWA (among those familiar with GLWA)



#### **KPI #1 – UNAIDED AWARENESS**

#### Who treats your drinking water?

GLWA mentioned by **1.9%** (16 of 827 people)

#### Who treats the wastewater from your municipality?

GLWA mentioned by **1.6%** (13 of 827 people)

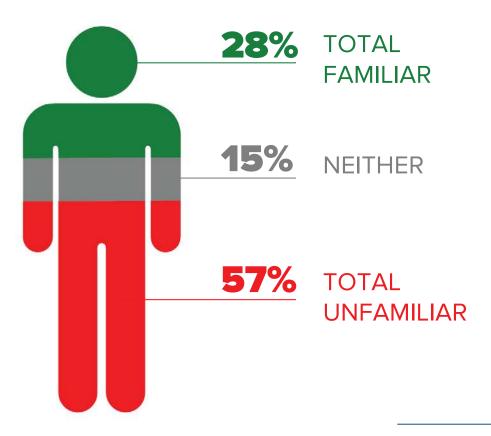


#### **KPI #2 – AIDED AWARENESS**

Aided familiarity with GLWA as a water or wastewater treatment provider is

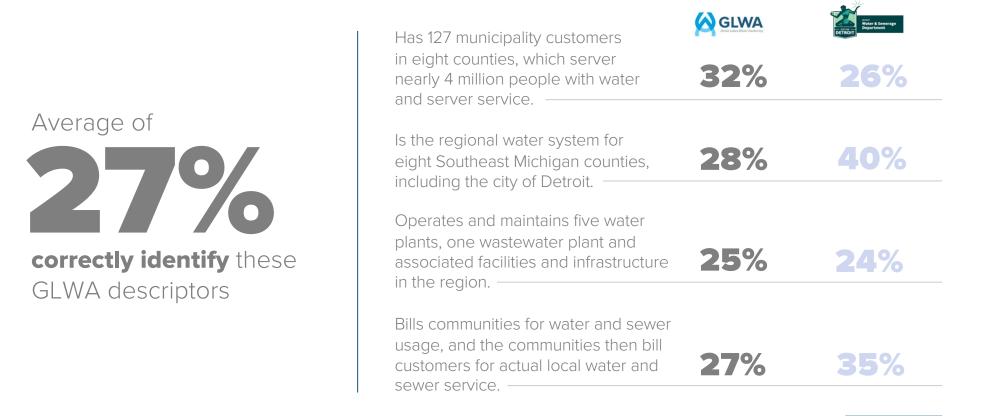








#### **KPI #3 – IDENTIFICATION OF GLWA**





#### **KPI #4 – ACCURACY OF DESCRIPTIONS**

This qualitative exercise asked those familiar with GLWA to describe specifics about what they knew about the Great Lakes Water Authority.



Residents familiar with GLWA identify the company with its drinking water and wastewater services.

Associate GLWA with operating throughout southeast Michigan.

They handle water and sewage treatment for several cities in the area, and have been working on saving costs for some time. This year is the lowest rate increase in ten years due to that.



Many think GLWA's primary responsibility is to monitor water safety for southeastern Michigan.

Some believe GLWA provides water services for the entire state of Michigan.

The association between the name "Great Lakes Water Authority" and the Great Lakes led to several residents identifying GLWA as a Great Lakes conservation group.

- I think they are responsible for water conservation throughout the Great Lakes region.
- The body who oversees the use and health of the Great Lakes.



### **KPI #5 – AGREEMENT W/ GLWA ATTRIBUTES**

#### **57%**

average agreement among familiar individuals



**Q** Do these statements describe your image of GLWA currently?

provides some of the nation's safest drinking water	68%		14%	7%	11%
is an expert in drinking water treatment	66%		15%	4%	14%
provides some of the nation's highest quality drinking water	63%		<b>17</b> %	7%	13%
is environmentally responsible with wastewater treatment processes	62%		20%	4%	14%
is an expert in wastewater treatment	61%		19%	<mark>3%</mark>	17%
surpasses standards for public health, safety & quality w/ drinking water & wastewater treatment	60%		20%	6%	14%
uses world-class operations focused on sustainable, environmentally conscious practices & systems	56%	22	%	5%	18%
is a trustworthy organization	54%	26	%	7%	14%
is responsible with finances	48%	23%	7%	2	1%
is innovative in ways to avoid water main breaks	48%	23%	12%		17%
provides transparency in its business operations	44%	29%	9%		17%
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📕 total agree 📕 neutral 📕 total disagree 📕 don't know

#### **KPI #6 – TRUST IN GLWA**

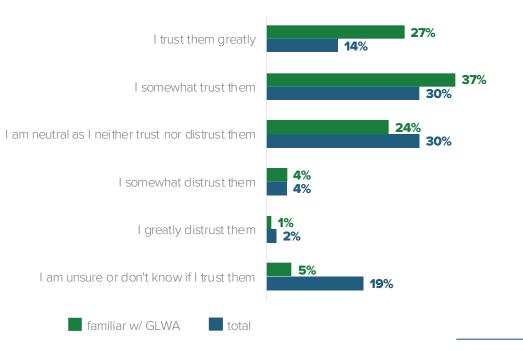
64%

familiar with **GLWA** trust them

of total trust GLWA

44%

Do you trust GLWA to provide high quality/ safe drinking water where you live?





# CAMPAIGN OBJECTIVES



#### THIS CONCEPT GIVES THE END CONSUMER AN INTERNAL LOOK INTO THE ORGANIZATION. UTILIZING PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY, WE WILL PUT A FACE TO GLWA.

GLWA TEAM MEMBERS ARE FRONT AND CENTER WITH THREE TEAM MEMBERS FROM WATER AND THREE TEAM MEMBERS FROM WASTEWATER.



Frank Czyz – Electrical Instrumentation Control Technician, WRRF



Zanetta Stewart – Team Leader, Wastewater Operating Services, WRRF



Wanda Brown - Plant Technician, Connor Creek CSO



Karone Law - Team Leader, Springwells Water Treatment Plant



Pawan Kapila – Team Leader, SW Treatment Plant



Katherine Malcolm - Team Leader, Water & Field Services



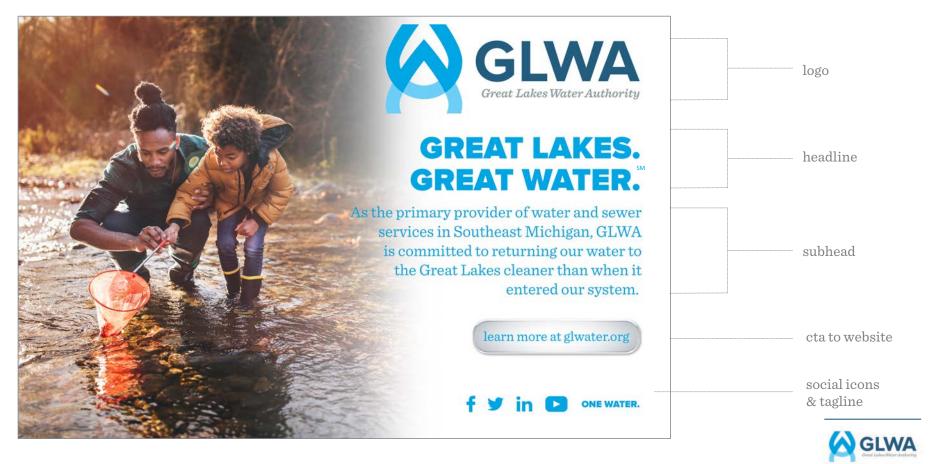


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THIS CONCEPT FOCUSES ON THE END CONSUMER BENEFIT. WITH EMOTIONAL, LIFESTYLE IMAGERY, WE WILL SHOW THE EVERYDAY MOMENTS OF LIFE WHERE WATER PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE.

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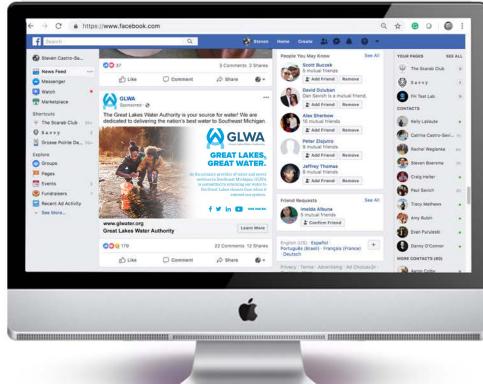


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#### **RADIO BUY**



#### **WWJ-AM 950**

- All News
- Core Demo: Adults 35-64
- Gender: Female 43%, Male 57%



#### **WOMC-FM104.3**

- Classic Hits
- Core Demo: Adults 25-64
- Gender: Female 49%, Male 51%



#### **WMXD-FM 92.3**

- Urban Adult Contemporary
- Core Demo: Adults 18+
- Gender: Female 51%, Male 49%

#### **Dayparts**



M-F 6a-10a 10a-10p

M-F

M-F 3p-7p M-F 7p-12m Sa-Su

6a-7p

:15 spots



## WE ARE SPOT #1 (:15)

(Music intros and plays behind clip)

For the Great Lakes Water Authority, regulatory standards aren't just something to meet, but rather surpass. Your health is our top priority, which is why we have water quality experts testing 24/7 to serve the communities of Southeast Michigan.

Learn how the GLWA is going above and beyond at G-L Water dot org.

## WE ARE SPOT #2 (:15)

(Music intros and plays behind clip)

At the Great Lakes Water Authority, we work with 138 Southeast Michigan communities to ensure we are serving as a responsible steward of our regional water and sewer system. Together we deliver the nation's highest quality drinking water to your community, all while protecting the environment.

Learn how the Great Lakes Water Authority is partnering with your community at G-L Water dot org.

#### AT **\*** W/ GLWA SPOT #1 (:15)

(Kids playing in the background, the sounds of a sprinkler, hose running, the feel of playing outside)

We're lucky to have the Great Lakes as our fresh water source to serve 138 Southeast Michigan communities. With the nation's best water and sewer treatment facilities and a highly experienced team, the Great Lakes Water Authority returns water back to our water sources cleaner than when it entered our system.

Learn more about sustainable stewardship at G-L Water dot org.

#### AT **\*** W/ **GLWA** SPOT #2 (:15)

(Dishes clanging, an infant talking ("baby talk"), child splashing, etc - to get the feel of being in the kitchen)

As your provider of water and sewer services in Southeast Michigan, the Great Lakes Water Authority is on the leading-edge of reducing contaminants that impact water quality in our Great Lakes and the environment.

Learn more about water treatment innovation at G-L Water dot org.

# THANK YOU!

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