

Protecting Public Health and the Environment by Cleaning Water and Recovering Valuable Resources

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HELP US PROTECT OUR OCEAN ENVIRONMENT

It used to be common to dispose of toxic substances by flushing them down the toilet, pouring them down the sink, onto the ground or gutter; or maybe into the trash. NO MORE! Today, we know how important it is to protect the environment through proper recycling and disposal of hazardous materials.



DISPOSE OF MEDICATIONS PROPERLY:

DON'T: Dump medications down the drain. The treatment plant is not able to fully remove old pharmaceuticals that may adversely impact fish and the environment.

DO: Dispose of unwanted medications at approved locations: Community Hazardous Waste Collection Center, or the Sheriff's Substation: Hollister & Storke Rd., Goleta (see addresses below).



KEEP FATS, OILS AND GREASE OUT OF YOUR DRAINS:

DON'T: Pour grease or oil down the drain. They harden inside sewer pipes and lead to blockages and spills.

DO: Wipe greasy dishes with paper towels, place into a closeable container, and throw it into the trash.



USE FREE SHARPS DISPOSAL CONTAINER (NEEDLE AND SYRINGE):

DON'T: Dump Sharps. They are dangerous.

DO: Goleta residents can obtain free, postage-paid mail-back containers for home-generated sharps. To order a container, call MarBorg Industries at (805) 963-1852.

PROPERLY DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:

DON'T: Dump household paint, solvents, batteries, motor oil and toxic cleaners.

DO: Take them to the Community Hazardous Waste Collection Center (see details below).

PHARMACEUTICAL DROP-OFF:

Sheriff's Substation: 7004 Market Pl. Dr. Storke Road and Hollister Ave., Camino Real Marketplace (Next to Theatre)

Most Pharmacies sell special envelopes that can be filled with unwanted medications and mailed to a central collection facility.

Pharmacies do not collect medications onsite. Please call the pharmacy directly for pricing and instructions.

