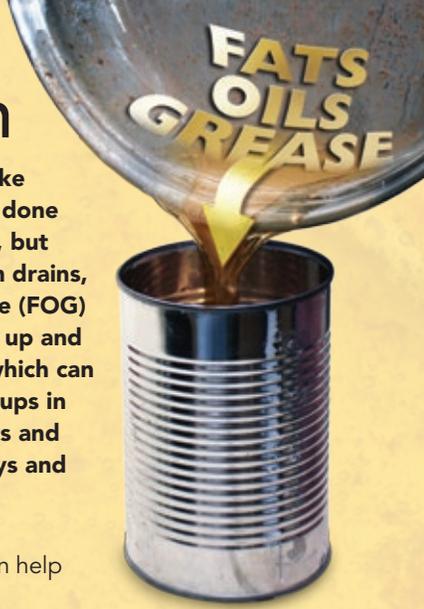


in the kitchen

They might seem like liquid when you're done cooking with them, but when poured down drains, fats, oils and grease (FOG) solidify. This builds up and blocks plumbing, which can lead to sewer backups in homes, onto streets and into local waterways and the Bay.



These simple tips can help you stay clog-free:

- NEVER pour grease or cooking oil down drains or garbage disposals.
- Mix small quantities of cooking oil with an absorbent such as kitty litter and dispose as garbage.
- Pour large quantities of cooking oil into a plastic container, seal tightly and take to the SMaRT Station for recycling.
- Store other fats, oils and grease items in a sealable bag or container and dispose as garbage.
- Use food strainers in kitchen sinks to catch food particles and place them into the garbage.

For more information on proper grease disposal, call (408) 730-7717 or e-mail wpcp@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Never dump paint, paint thinner, cleaning chemicals, pesticides, fertilizer, root killer or any product that has a CAUTION-WARNING-DANGER-POISON label down a toilet. Make sure these items are being properly disposed of.

For information on proper disposal options, contact the SMaRT Station at (408) 730-7262 or visit Recycling.inSunnyvale.com.

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Having a sewer drainage issue? Call us first!

24-Hour Sewer Response Service can be reached at (408) 730-7400

THINK BEFORE YOU FLUSH



Protect Your Family, Community
and Waterways from Sewer
Backups and Overflows

Flush **ONLY** toilet paper. Put trash in the trash can.



An overflowing toilet can ruin your home in an instant!

Just a small amount of household waste flushed down the toilet (or dumped down the drain or garbage disposal) can clog pipes and cause expensive and messy sewer backups in your home and our City. Call us first if you notice a sewer backup in your home, on or near your property, or on a street. The 24-hour Sewer Response Service can be reached at (408) 730-7400.

AVOID SEWER BACKUPS BY KEEPING THIS STUFF OUT OF YOUR TOILET



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Did you know?

"Flushable Wipes" are one of the biggest problems for sewer backups in our community. That's right — even if the package says "flushable," they should NEVER be flushed. They belong in the trash.

⚠ Unused prescription drugs and over the counter medicines should be dropped off at your local Fire Station or taken to a Household Hazardous Waste drop-off event.