

How Can I Help?

- Scrape all food scraps and grease solids into the garbage, not down the sink, drain or toilet.
- Never pour solvents/gasoline down the drains, sewers or onto the ground outside.
- Clean up grease spills using an absorbent material (e.g. cat litter, paper towels) and place it in the dry trash bin.
- Train your family members in good environmental practices.



It's Sleazy To Be Greasy

To report a problem, contact us.



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What is the Grease Clean-Up and Disposal Effort?

It is the process of relaying information to the community about the harmful affects grease has on the environment and the City's infrastructure and how these damages can be avoided.

- Nearly 50 percent of all sewage overflows nationwide are caused by homeowners who improperly dispose of everyday fats, oils and grease.
- Local governments in the U.S. spend more than \$25 billion a year to keep sewers running, and most of the blockages are caused from improperly disposed grease from fried food.

Where Does Grease Come From?

- Meat Fats
- Cooking Oil
- Lard and Shortening
- Butter and Margarine



What Affect can Grease have on the Sewer System?

- Grease build-up clogs pipes and traps other debris.
- The Sewer System can overflow and potentially harm the public or the environment.
- If the overflow is into your home , the cleanup could cost thousands of dollars.
- An overflow could provide contact with disease-causing organisms.
- An increase in maintenance could result in higher operating costs.



What Happens?

When grease is washed down the drain, it sticks to the inside of sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets.) Over time, it builds up and can block an entire pipe . Garbage disposals do not keep grease out of the pipes. They only shred it into smaller pieces.



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