



WHAT ARE YOU
POURING
DOWN THE
SINK?

NO GREASE
NO OILS
NO FATS

PROTECT YOUR HOME & THE ENVIRONMENT

FOG (Fats, oils and grease) is a byproduct of cooking. It comes from meat, lard, oil, shortening, butter, margarine, food scraps, baking goods, sauces and dairy products.

When grease washes down the sink, it sticks to the insides of the pipes that connect your home or business to the City's sewer. Eventually, the grease can build up until it completely blocks sewer pipes. That can create difficult and expensive maintenance problems for both the City and homeowners.

Garbage disposals don't keep grease out of sewer pipes. Products that claim to dissolve grease may dislodge a blockage, but is temporary until the grease hardens again!

HOW YOU CAN HELP!

- Don't pour grease down sink drains or toilets.
- Scrape grease and food scraps into the trash.
- Or, pour grease into tin cans, let it harden and throw in the trash.
- Catch food scraps & other solids with a strainer in the sink drain, and empty the strainer into the trash.
- Remember, your garbage disposal is not a trash can. Try to minimize its use.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...



Please visit us at:

www.VictorvilleCA.gov/PublicWorks

Or call us at: **760.241.6365**

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center is located behind the SB County Fairgrounds. Enter from 7th Street at Desert Knoll Drive and turn right on Love Lane. (Free Drop-offs) Open Wednesdays and Sundays from 9:00 AM to 4 PM.

PLEASE DISPOSE OF WASTE PROPERLY

Only human waste and toilet paper should go down the toilet. When other items are flushed down the toilet, sewer overflows can occur. Sewer overflows can cause health problems, property damage and threaten the environment.

All of these items should be put in the trash except for Sharps & Medicines.

*Sharps and Medicines should not be put in the trash but should be taken to the **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center**. See address on the back.



NO DRUGS DOWN THE DRAIN!

Once it was common practice to flush expired medications down the toilet. We now know that some of these substances are bad for our environment. They can get into surface waters, soils, and groundwater.

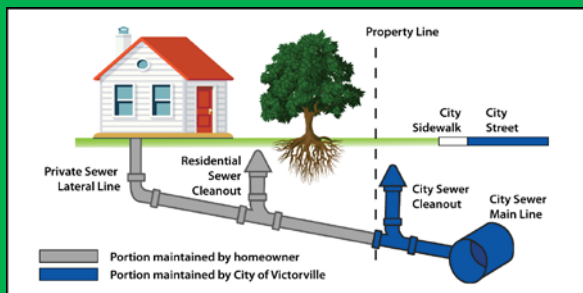


The federal government has released new guidelines for disposal of pills.

HOW TO DISPOSE OF UNUSED PILLS

- Remove all personal information from containers.
- Place the medicine in an empty can or sealable bag.
- Seal the container and place it into the trash can.
- Always keep medicines away from the drain, children and pets.
- Expired medications can be dropped off at the HHW Collection Center (See address on the back)

PROTECT YOUR SEWER SYSTEM FROM OVERFLOWS



Care & maintenance of the private sewer line is the homeowner's responsibility. Regular cleaning is essential to keep the waste flowing!

IN CASE OF A BLOCK...

If your lateral line is blocked, it's your responsibility to find the cause and remove the blockage. Most licensed plumbers provide services to clear a lateral.

If the licensed plumber determines that the blockage is caused by the City's portion of the line, immediately contact the Public Works Department at (760) 241-6365.

Personnel will be dispatched to investigate.