## How To Help Prevent Sewer Clogs

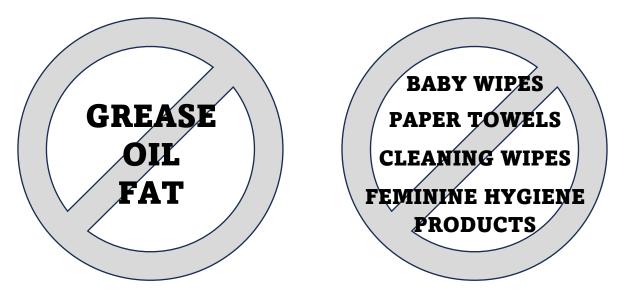
In your kitchen:

- Avoid pouring grease, oil, fat (including cream), coffee grounds, eggshells, or vegetable peels down kitchen drain.
- Run water through garbage disposal at least 15 seconds after use to help flush debris.

In your bathroom:

- Avoid flushing diapers, feminine hygiene products, or wipes (even those marked flushable) such as baby wipes, cleaning wipes, dusting wipes, and mopping cloths (example: Swiffer pads).
- Use drain strainer/hair catcher to collect hair or debris.

Flushing items other than toilet paper can cause sewer line blockages and sewer pump damage in our sewer system that serves your neighborhood.



## Did you know?

- The average household uses three times more detergent in the kitchen and laundry than what manufacturers recommend for washing dishes and clothes. When detergents, soaps, and shampoos enter the sewer system, they hold grease, oil, and fats in suspension, making cleaning and treating wastewater difficult and more costly. You can help by using manufacturer recommended amounts.
- Pouring chemicals or pesticides into the sewer system is not allowed due to the threat to our environment and the health hazard for our sewer crew.
- Commercial kitchens are required to have a grease trap. Avoid flushing your commercial grease trap with hot water to clear the trap in lieu of cleaning and pumping out the trap properly.

Place this notice in your home where it can be seen by anyone spending time in your home and/or cleaning your home.