

# Remember, it's not just toxic to you



## Carefully store and dispose of household cleaners, chemicals, and oil

Did you know that many household products are dangerous to our kids, pets, and the environment?

These materials pollute our waterways if washed or dumped into storm drains or roadside ditches that lead directly to our lakes and rivers. Household cleaners, pesticides, gasoline, antifreeze, used motor oil, and other hazardous products need to be labeled, stored, and disposed of properly.

### So what can you do? Simple.

- Be aware of household products that can harm children, pets and the environment. Pay attention to words such as “warning” or “caution” on product labels.
- Reduce waste and save money by purchasing only the materials you need.
- Keep unused products in their original containers with labels.
- Never dump hazardous products down storm drains, roadside ditches, sinks, or on the ground — take them to your local community’s hazardous waste collection day.

### Help keep our homes and the environment safe.

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