Don’t invite the GREASE GOBLIN to come out and play!

When grease, cooking oil, and food scraps are put down the sink or toilet, they can build up and cause a blockage in the sewer pipes. A blockage can also cause sewage to overflow from a manhole onto the ground or into OUR streams. PLEASE help protect our environment by properly disposing of grease, cooking oil, and food waste.

**HERE IS HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

**PLEASE DO:**
- ✓ Dry-wipe pots, pans, & dishes with a paper towel before washing
- ✓ Put food scraps in the trash (avoid the use of a garbage disposal)
- ✓ Mix small amounts of left over grease and cooking oil with cat litter or coffee grounds and put it in the trash
- ✓ Recycle large amounts of left over cooking oil (such as from deep-frying fish, turkey, french-fries, etc.)
- ✓ Recycle larger amounts of cooking oil by taking to one of the Recycling Centers listed below

**Gaston County Recycling Centers that Accept Cooking Oil**
- Crowders Creek, 1120 CP Groves Rd., Gastonia
- Hardin, 3155 Philadelphia Church Rd., Dallas
- New Hope, 235 Lake Wylie Rd., Belmont
- Riverbend, 146 Mountain Island Rd., Mt. Holly
- Tryon, 2755 Tryon Courthouse Rd. / Highway 274, Bessemer City

**PLEASE DO NOT:**
- Ø Pour grease or cooking oil down the sink or toilet
- Ø Rinse food scraps down the sink
- Ø Use garbage disposal. Consider composting food scraps or installing an under-the-counter trash compactor if you do not want to put food waste into the trash can.

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