

# CAN THE GREASE

Pouring cooking oil down the drain can lead to smelly and costly troubles ahead



Fats, oils and greases are the leading cause of sewer line clogs and sewer main overflows in Fort Lauderdale. Clogged sewer lines can back-up into houses, spill onto roadways and into our waterways, creating hazards for humans, fish and wildlife.

With improper disposal down the kitchen drain, greasy leftovers can quickly turn foul, leading to disruptive and smelly back-ups in the sanitary wastewater system.

## PREVENT COSTLY PLUMBING REPAIRS:

- Pour cooking oils into old cans, milk containers or other packages and dispose in your black garbage cart.
- Use a paper towel to wipe dishes and pots to remove grease prior to washing.
- Place fat trimmings from meat in your black trash cart, not your garbage disposal.

**If you observe a sewer spill from the City's sanitary wastewater system, report it immediately by calling 954-828-8000.**

**For more information on how you can "Green Your Routine" visit: [www.fortlauderdale.gov/GYR](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/GYR)**

