

Anne Arundel County Convenience Centers Accept Cooking Oils for Recycling

Proper disposal of recyclable protects personal property

Annapolis (December 7, 2011) –Sewer blockage-causing liquid cooking oil can be recycled at all of the County’s recycling center locations.

Residents are encouraged to take the cooking oil recyclable to the Glen Burnie Convenience Center, Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility or the Sudley Convenience Center for proper disposal. All locations have special on-site collection containers designed to allow recycling of the oil.

Proper disposal of cooking oil is essential in maintaining your home’s plumbing and also the public water and wastewater system. Used cooking oils or greases can cause private and public sewage pipe blockages and should never be poured on the ground or down garbage disposals, sinks, toilets, drains or storm sewers. These oils also have a detrimental environmental impact when they reach local waterways.

Anne Arundel County currently collects \$0.30 per gallon for this oil. Solid cooking grease (cooking oil absorbed in newspaper, kitty litter or other absorbent) is still accepted for curbside trash collection.

More information is available on the County’s Department of Public Works Waste Management Services webpage at www.aacounty.org/DPW/WasteManagement/troublefreeRecytips.cfm or www.recyclemoreoften.com. Customers may also call the County Recycling Division at 410-222-7951.

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