

## RESOURCES

- For questions about the Stormwater Utility, call 262-653-4150.
- To report illegal dumping, please contact the Kenosha Police Department at 262-656-1234.
- For more information on what you can do to help, please visit the Kenosha Stormwater Utility Web site: [www.kenosha.org/departments/swu/index.html](http://www.kenosha.org/departments/swu/index.html)

- **Drop-off site information**

**Household Hazardous Waste**

4401 Green Bay Road  
653-4300  
May – Nov: 1st and 3rd Saturdays  
Dec – April: 1st Saturday  
Hours: 8 – 11 a.m.; closed Holidays

**Used Oil and Anti-Freeze Recycling**

Bulk Waste Drop-off Site  
1001 50th Street  
Tues – Fri: 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Sat: 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Closed Sun – Mon and Holidays

Street Division Yard Drop-off Site  
6415 35th Avenue  
Open 24 hours

**Yardwaste and Brush**

4071 88th Avenue  
April – Nov: Mon – Sat, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Dec – March: by appointment only



Kenosha Stormwater Utility  
625 52nd Street, Room 305  
Kenosha, Wisconsin 53140

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## WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

- Stormwater runoff is water from rain or melting snow that "runs off" across the land instead of seeping into the ground, collecting pollutants as it moves.
- Runoff is untreated and collects in our storm drains and storm sewers, and it is transported to our lake and waterways.



- Stormwater runoff can pollute our lake, killing fish and wildlife, causing beach closures, clouding the water, and causing other severe environmental and human health problems.
- This pollution is not an industrial problem; our behaviors contribute most to water quality problems. **Take a few simple actions** to prevent pollution, and you will help protect our lake!

## HOW IS THE STORMWATER UTILITY HELPING?

- Construction site erosion control.
- Increased street sweeping and catch basin cleaning.
- Drop-off sites for leaves, lawn clippings, oil, anti-freeze, household hazardous wastes, solid waste and recyclables.
- Enforcing ordinances requiring better stormwater management in new developments.
- Constructing and maintaining detention facilities to reduce pollutants.

## WHAT WE CAN DO TO HELP

- Never dump anything down the storm drains! Dispose of used auto fluids, household hazardous wastes, and batteries at designated collection or recycling locations in the city.
- Don't rake lawn clippings or leaves into the street. Sweep them away from sidewalks, driveways or other paved surfaces. Use them as mulch, place in a compost bin, or utilize the city's yard waste drop-off site.
- Maintain your vehicles, keep them tuned and repair leaks immediately.
- Plant vegetation in bare spots in your yard to reduce soil erosion.



- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. Sweep excess from sidewalks, driveways and other paved surfaces.
- Divert downspouts to lawns or gardens where it can safely soak into the ground.

## WHAT WE CAN DO TO HELP



- Pick up after your pet. Pet waste and bacteria eventually end up untreated in our stormwater.
- Don't litter! Properly dispose of trash and other waste.
- Take your car to the car wash, where they treat the wash water, or wash your car on your lawn where the water flows into the grass.
- Limit salt use on icy driveways and sidewalks. Excess salt contributes to soil erosion, and it can damage or kill vegetation. Use sand, and you can sweep it up between storms for reuse.



- Report any illegal dumping to the authorities. Remember – save the drains for a rainy day!