

**Deodorizers:** In your refrigerator, use an open box of baking soda. Simmer cinnamon and cloves, or place herbal bouquets in open dishes. **Drain Cleaners:** Instead of chemical cleaners, use a plunger, then add 1/4 cup baking soda followed by 1/2 cup vinegar. Let sit for 15 minutes, then rinse with 2 quarts of boiling water. Mechanical drain cleaners also can provide an effective alternative and include the traditional metal "snake" as well as a variety of devices which attach to the faucet and clean by increasing water pressure. The best alternative is to periodically clean items such as hair from the drain.

**Dusting:** Use 1/4 cup white vinegar per quart of water and apply with a tightly wrung soft cloth. **Furniture/Wood Polish:** Rub with 1 tablespoon of lemon oil mixed with one pint mineral oil.

**Glass Cleaner:** Use 2 tablespoons of vinegar in 1 quart of water.

**Mildew Stain Remover:** Use a vinegar solution made with 1/2 cup vinegar to 1 quart of warm water.

**Spot Cleaning Carpets:** Apply club soda immediately, blot dry, repeat. Or, sprinkle with cornmeal or cornstarch and vacuum after 30 minutes.



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## Household Hazardous Waste

## Did you know?

The average household generates 20 pounds of hazardous waste each year from household cleaners and chemicals?

Most homes have some old household products in their cabinets. You probably throw the containers away without giving it a second thought. They might be out of the house, but that doesn't mean they won't come back to haunt you.

Chemicals found in items like weed killers, paint thinners and furniture polish taint the water supply, pollute the environment and are hazardous to humans, fish and wildlife. Besides, many toxic substances can't be rendered harmless by ordinary disposal and sewage treatment methods.

Instead of trashing everything or pouring it down the drain (which is highly illegal by the way), store unwanted products in a safe place until the next Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

## What to do with your Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

This HHW collection and disposal program is part of Denton County's ongoing commitment to improve the environment in Denton County and to assist residents in their desire to safely dispose of HHW. As part of Denton County Storm Water Management Program, Denton County has entered into a contract with Upper Trinity Regional Water District (UTRWD) to assist the residents in collecting and disposing of their HHW.

Residents need to pick up a voucher at Denton County Public Works to reserve a spot at one of the collection events shown in this flyer. The vouchers are at No Cost to the residents and will be available on a first come first serve basis. Please do not bring any HHW to Public Works because we are not able to accept the waste. The residents will then need to bring the accepted materials to the chosen event for proper disposal.

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### Items Not Accepted:

Ammunition Explosives **Propane/Butane Cylinders** Medical Waste Radioactive Material Tires **Business Waste** Electronics

#### **Common Household Hazardous Materials:**

Pesticides Herbicides Fertilizers Gasoline Fungicide

Motor Oil Antifreeze Brake Fluid Paint Aerosol Cans

### **Recycling Dates and Locations:**

Flower

Date:

Mound	Bakersfield Sports
	Complex 1201 Duncan Lane
	Sur
Fall	Event - TBD

Highland Villag	e Copperas Branch Park I-35 E SW of Lake Lewisville Bridge
Date:	October 16, 2010

Lake Dallas

Arrowhead Park I-35E NE of Lake Lewisville Bridge

Date:

Fall Event - TBD

This list will be updated as more events are added. Please check the website for the Fall dates: dentoncounty.com/dept/pwengineering

