Put Waste in Its Place

Don't put fats, oil, or grease down the drain. It can cause pipes to clog, resulting in costly repairs and environmental contamination. Collect them in a container and throw them in the trash.



Keeping your tires properly inflated can extend their life by almost 5,000 miles. When your tires can no longer be used, recycle them.





Don't throw rechargeable batteries in the trash. Recycle them at your local home improvement and electronics retailers or community collection drop-off sites, where

available.



Recycle used motor oil. The used oil from one oil change can contaminate 1 million gallons of fresh water—a year's supply for 50 people.







Each Texan contributes about 5 pounds of waste to landfills each day. **Reduce waste** by buying less. **Purchase only** what you need, buy reusable products, and avoid items with a lot of packaging.



The average household has 28 electronic devices.

Consider purchasing refurbished electronics. Also, donate used electronics or recycle these devices if they are no longer working.





Items such as food, yard trimmings, paper, glass, metal, and plastics account for over 80 percent of

Make a huge impact by composting

household trash. and recycling as many of these items as possible.

exists in your community, take household hazardous wastesuch as used fluorescent light bulbs, drain cleaner, and pesticides—to a community collection site or event.



Check out our website for resources for recycling and disposing of your waste, visit TakeCareOfTexas.org/land.

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