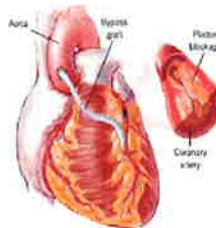


**Don't let the  
Grease Monster  
JAM your drain  
with grease!**

**GREASE**



## **FACTS about fats, oil, grease and food scraps**



1. Cooking grease coats the sewer pipes similar to the way fatty foods clog human arteries.
2. Rinsing grease off with hot water moves the grease into the sewer line where it adheres to the walls as it cools.
3. Over time the grease can build up causing line blockages, or worse, Sanitary Sewer Overflows that discharge untreated wastewater into the environment.
4. Grease plugs cause expensive and unpleasant clean up.



### Why is grease your problem?

Grease can cause bad smells and clogs in the drain resulting in expensive plumber visits. (The City of Pueblo DOES NOT pay for plumbers.)

Grease blockage can cause a backup of sewage into your home, requiring expensive cleanup at your expense.

Grease plugs in city sewer lines increase the cost of cleaning and repairs, leading to higher sewer rates.

Grease in the sewer line can cause Sanitary Sewer Overflows into yards, streets, parks or into a nearby river.

Raw sewage is potentially hazardous to your health and can harm the environment.



Every little  
bit that  
**YOU**  
do  
counts!

If each household in  
Pueblo only puts  
1 teaspoon of oil per day  
down the drain .....

It is equivalent to  
dumping twenty-five  
55 gallon drums of oil  
into the sewer each  
month.

If you have drain problems:  
City crews are on 24 hour standby,  
including weekends and holidays.  
Contact the City's Wastewater  
Department at  
553-2898, or after business hours  
call 553-2538

# Never:



**Do not pour grease  
down the drain.**



**Do not put food scraps  
down the garbage disposal.**

# Always:



**Cool grease and  
pour into a can.  
Throw can of  
grease into trash.**



**Scrape food off plates.**



**Wipe grease  
off with  
paper  
towel.**