

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAM

Help Reduce Stormwater Pollution

Pollution Prevention Starts at Home

- **USE FERTILIZERS AND PESTICIDES SPARINGLY;** more is not better.
- **RECYCLE USED VEHICLE FLUIDS;** one gallon of oil can contaminate one million gallons of water!
- **KEEP YARD WASTE AND TRASH AWAY** from storm drains and waterways.
- **BLOW GRASS CLIPPINGS BACK ONTO LAWNS,** and away from streets and storm drains.
- **PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET.** Pet waste contains harmful bacteria that can be carried through the storm drain system and into our waterways and may even contribute to beach closings.
- **IF YOU SEE SOIL BEING TRACKED ONTO ROADWAYS,** or muddy water running into storm drains from Construction Sites, contact the City Stormwater Hotline 772-260-1260.

The City Stormwater Team cleans approximately 4,500 storm drain inlets and 3 miles of underground pipe each year. Approximately 100 tons of debris has been removed from the system in the past 5 years, all of which has to be taken to the Martin County Landfill.

For additional helpful information about Pollution Prevention check out the links below:

[Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program - University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences - UF/IFAS \(ufl.edu\)](#)

<https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/martin/sea-grant---martinst-lucie/>

[South Florida Water Management District](#)