



# City of Quinlan

## Residential F.O.G. (Fat, Oil, and Grease)

The No. 1 cause of sewer backups in homes!

F.O.G. is fat, oil, and grease.

About 30% of what we eat is F.O.G.!

F.O.G. can block your drains *and* your neighbor's drains.



F.O.G. is the cause of most sewer line blockages.

Blocked drains and sewers create health hazards, make life miserable, and are expensive to remedy.

### Why should you care?

Even a small amount of grease in sink drains can cause sewage backups and overflows that are messy, costly, and a potential threat to your health and the environment.

### How can you have fat-free sewers?

- Never pour fat, oil or grease down sink drains or toilets!
- Wipe dishes and pots and pans prior to washing.
- Talk with your friends and neighbors about the grease problem so the community is aware of the risk.

## MINIMIZE YOUR RESIDENTIAL GREASE BY FOLLOWING THESE SIMPLE STEPS...

**Step 1** All cooking oil should be poured into an old milk carton, frozen juice container or other non-recyclable package, to be disposed of in the garbage.

**Step 2** Dishes, pots and pans that are coated with greasy leftovers should be wiped clean with a disposable towel prior to washing or placement in dishwashers.

**Step 3** Instead of putting fat trimmings or drippings from meat in the garbage disposal, put them in a trashcan.

Always put cooking grease containers and greasy towels in a plastic bag before disposing of them in your trash bag.

**NEVER** dispose of cooking grease directly into your automated trash compactor.

### Need More Information?

For questions about Fat, Oil, and Grease, contact the City of Quinlan at 903-356-3306.

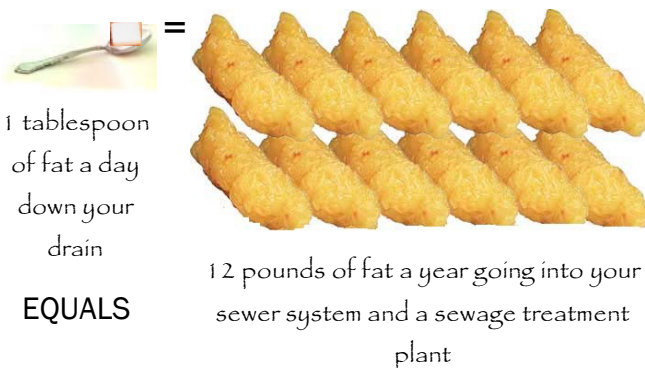
## WHERE IS RESIDENTIAL GREASE PRODUCED?

Grease is a by-product of cooking and is found in things like these:

Meat fats	Food scraps	Pastries
Butter & margarine	Baking goods	Salad dressings
Cooking oil	Sauces	Deep-fried foods
Shortening	Dairy Products	Gravy

### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Keeping just one (1) tablespoon of fat, oil or grease out of your drains daily would amount to twelve (12) pounds of fat, oil, or grease a year not running through your pipes, the sewer system, and Onondaga County sewage treatment plants!



### DON'T FEED THE SEWER MONSTER -



**PLEASE DON'T POUR GREASE DOWN THE DRAIN!**