

Celebrate Texas Recycles Day  
at Arlington's

# COMPUTER ROUNDUP!

It's Free!

Nov. 23, 2013

8 a.m. - 12 noon



## Sponsored by:

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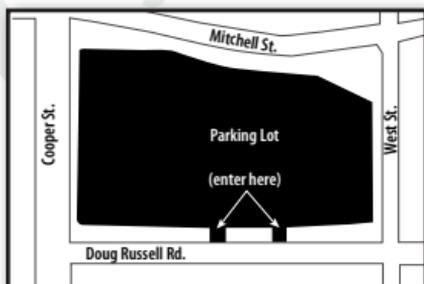


# WANTED

- Computers • Monitors • TVs
- Keyboards • Printers • VCRs
- Radios • Video Cameras
- Cell Phones

*Bring your old electronics to the UTA parking lot at the southeast corner of Mitchell and Cooper!*

**8 a.m. - 12 noon**  
**Saturday, Nov. 23, 2013**



Proof of Arlington residency required.

This event is for Arlington residents only. Businesses should contact the City of Arlington for

information on how to recycle electronics. We will not be accepting large, household appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators. Call 817-317-2000 for disposal of these items.

**Did You Know?** The Arlington Landfill accepts old electronics for recycling year-round. Just drop them off at the landfill for free, where they are stored and then taken to a recycler.

More information: 817-354-2300 (landfill office).

More e-waste recycling opportunities: visit [www.arlingtontx.gov/environment/electronicwaste.html](http://www.arlingtontx.gov/environment/electronicwaste.html).

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# EcoMan Wants Your Grease!

*Are you frying a turkey for Thanksgiving?*

Bring your used cooking oil to

## Grease for Greens

at Tierra Verde Golf Course

8 a.m.-12 p.m. on December 7, 2013.

We will use your cooking oil to make biodiesel to fuel our lawnmowers, and you could win a free round of golf!

*Can't come to Grease for Greens?*

If you have more than 3 gallons of used cooking oil, we will pick it up from your house the week of Dec. 2-6.

Call 817-459-5902 to schedule an appointment.

**This message is EcoMan Approved.**

For more information,  
visit [CeasetheGreaseArlington.com](http://CeasetheGreaseArlington.com)

# Help Us Cease the Grease!

Take these easy steps to help us cease the grease:

- Don't put fats, oils, or grease down the drain or garbage disposal.
- Don't use soap or hot water to rinse fats, oils, or grease into your drain.
- Recycle used cooking oil.

## Cooking Oil Collection Stations are coming!

You can recycle your used cooking oil year round, and we will use it to make biodiesel.



Disposal locations:  
[CeasetheGreaseArlington.com](http://CeasetheGreaseArlington.com)  
or call 817-459-5902.



# Fight the Bite

Remember the “**Four D’s**”  
to defend yourself against  
West Nile virus.



**DUSK/DAWN** are the times of day you should try to stay indoors. This is when infected mosquitoes are most active.



**DRESS** in light-colored long sleeves and pants when you're outside. For extra protection, you may want to spray thin clothing with repellent.



**DEET** (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide) is an ingredient to look for in your insect repellent. Follow label instructions, and always wear repellent when outdoors.



**DRAIN** standing water in your back yard and neighborhood – bird baths, old tires, flowerpots, and clogged rain gutters. These are mosquito breeding sites.

If you have symptoms that include stiff neck, high fever, or severe headache, contact your health-care provider immediately.

Visit the Texas Department of State Health Services  
at [www.dshs.state.tx.us](http://www.dshs.state.tx.us) for:

- Frequently Asked Questions • Local West Nile Contacts
- Where has West Nile been Found in Texas? • West Nile Facts

For additional information: [www.ArlingtonTX.gov](http://www.ArlingtonTX.gov)  
Community Development & Planning/Health Services 817-459-6502



Center for Disease Control [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

# ¡Combata la Picadura!

Recuerde las “4 D’s” para defenderse del virus West Nile.



**DENTRO** de casa. Trate de estar adentro al anochecer y al amanecer. Estas son las horas cuando los mosquitos infectados están más activos.



**DE** manga larga. Vista pantalones y camisas de manga larga de colores claros cuando esté afuera. Para mejor protección, rocíe la ropa de trama fina con repelente.



**DEET** (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide) es el ingrediente que usted debe buscar en el envase cuando compre repelente para insectos. Siga las instrucciones de la etiqueta, y use siempre repelente cuando esté afuera.

**DESHAGASE** del agua estancada. Revise alrededor de su casa: bañeras para pájaros, llantas viejas, macetas, fuentes, y desagües tapados. Estos son lugares donde se crían mosquitos.



Si usted tiene síntomas como rigidez en el cuello, fiebre alta, o fuerte dolor de cabeza, consulte a su médico inmediatamente.

Visita el Departamento de Servicios de Salud del estado de Tejas al [www.dshs.state.tx.us](http://www.dshs.state.tx.us):

- Preguntas más frecuentes
- Contactos locales acerca del Virus
  - ¿Dónde se ha encontrado el virus West Nile en Texas?
  - Hechos de West Nile

Para información adicional: [www.ArlingtonTX.gov](http://www.ArlingtonTX.gov)  
Departamento de Servicios de Planificación y Desarrollo,  
Servicios de Salud 817-459-6502



***IT'S A BIRD...IT'S A PLANE...IT'S ...***



# ***POOP•ER MAN- n.***

***SUPERHERO WHO LEAPS  
TALL BUILDINGS IN A  
SINGLE BOUND TO PICK  
UP THE DOG POOP YOU  
LEAVE ON THE GROUND.***

Who do you think is picking up your pet waste when you leave it on the ground? We hate to burst your superhero bubble, but there is no such thing as Pooper Man. Pet waste left on streets, pavement, yards, driveways, or along the sides of the road does not magically disappear or fertilize the ground. Stormwater (or rainwater) washes away this waste and can carry bacteria from pet waste to nearby creeks, lakes, and rivers. Since stormwater is not treated, it's almost guaranteed that this harmful substance will make its way into our valued water sources. This means *YOU* are responsible for keeping our community clean (and green). Please pick up your pet's waste and dispose of it properly.

## ***We Know Better***

A message brought to you by the City of  
Arlington Stormwater Management Office.



Q: How do I properly dispose of pet waste?

A: There are three ways to dispose of your pet's waste.

You may put it in the trash, flush it down the toilet, or bury it in your yard.

For more information on pet waste and stormwater,  
please contact the City of Arlington,  
Stormwater Office at 817-459-6587  
or visit [www.arlingtontx.gov/stormwater](http://www.arlingtontx.gov/stormwater)

# Spruce Up Your Sprinkler System and Save

When it comes to a home's irrigation system, a little maintenance goes a long way. This spring, do a little "sprinkler spruce-up" to properly maintain your irrigation system and reduce water waste.

## Sprinkler System Checklist

- Conduct monthly, two minute per zone inspections to identify and adjust any sprinkler heads that are spraying water on pavement.
- Adjust irrigation controller settings to water infrequently (up to twice per week in July and August) and deep into the soil by using the cycle and soak method to promote strong, drought resistant roots.
- Water in the early morning and never between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. to reduce evaporation.
- Install a three inch layer of mulch around plants, bushes, and trees to retain soil moisture.
- Expand landscape beds by replacing a portion of unused turf grass with native and drought tolerant plants with help from Texas Smartscape: [www.txsmartscape.com](http://www.txsmartscape.com).
- Without significant spring rainfall, prepare for twice per week drought watering restrictions this summer.

Visit [www.SaveArlingtonWater.com](http://www.SaveArlingtonWater.com) for more information.





### What if my cart breaks?

Please contact Republic Services at 817-317-2000 or at [cdfw@republicservices.com](mailto:cdfw@republicservices.com). They will either replace or repair your cart.



### What if I am physically not capable of maneuvering the cart?

You may be eligible for door side service. Please visit our website at [www.arlingtontx.gov/environment](http://www.arlingtontx.gov/environment) for details. From the recycle cart page, look under FAQs.



### What if I do not want a cart?

Arlington residents are not required to recycle; however, the monthly fee is required for the provision of citywide recycling services.

Please see the "opt out" form on our website if you do not wish to receive a cart. Or, send an email to [cdfw@republicservices.com](mailto:cdfw@republicservices.com). Opt out requests must be received no later than March 31, 2013. If you receive a cart and do not want it, please call 817-317-2000 or email [cdfw@republicservices.com](mailto:cdfw@republicservices.com).

Recycling placed curbside in recycling bins or bags will not be collected.



### What if my recycle day falls on a holiday?

Republic Services recognizes the following holidays:

New Years Day | 4th of July | Labor Day  
Thanksgiving Day | Christmas Day

If your recycling day falls on New Year's Day, 4th of July, Labor Day or Thanksgiving Day, there will not be a makeup day. Your recycling will be collected on your next regular collection day. If your recycling day falls on Christmas Day, there will be a special collection the following Saturday. (Christmas Day and New Years day fall on the same day of the week; a makeup day is provided to avoid missing two consecutive weeks of collection.)



Please see details on our website [www.arlingtontx.gov/environment/recycling\\_AutomatedRecyclingProgram.html](http://www.arlingtontx.gov/environment/recycling_AutomatedRecyclingProgram.html) or call 817-459-6778.

Recycling just got  
a whole lot easier!



# PHIL, THE CART

Look for me  
in 2013!

Republic Services will begin delivery of wheeled 65 gallon recycling carts to residents in June of 2013 as the City of Arlington converts to automated recycling collection.



Residents will receive one 65-gallon cart with wheels and a lid.

As part of this transition, Republic Services is switching to CNG collection vehicles. They are also constructing a CNG fueling station in Arlington. This will allow the use of an affordable, abundant and cleaner source of fuel.

# Frequently Asked Questions



## What is automated collection?

Currently, Arlington residents put their recycling in 22-gallon bins that are manually emptied into the recycling truck. With automated collection, residents place recycling in a specific type of cart. The cart is emptied into the recycling truck by a robotic collection arm of the vehicle.



## Why are we switching to automated recycling collection?

Manual collection requires teams of 2-3 workers to lift and empty recycling bins into a collection vehicle. This physically demanding, repetitive work increases the chance of injuries. It is also less efficient and results in much higher spillage rates.

Manual collection exposes workers to traffic and waste, which also increases risk of serious injury.

Automated collection requires special equipment, including trucks and carts. The most distinguishing feature of automated collection trucks is the robotic arm that lifts the cart and dumps recyclables into the truck. Positioning carts in the proper direction in the correct position is critical to the success of automated collection.



## Some benefits of automated recycling collection include:

- Enhanced Service Delivery - Customer satisfaction rates are higher with automated collection than manual collection.
- Cleaner Communities - Carts have closed lids, are designed not to tip over and efficiently empty into trucks. That means less material on the streets of the community.
- Higher Recycling Rates - Automated recycling collection provides residents with a larger wheeled cart for recyclables. This makes it easier for residents to recycle more.
- Improved Safety - Automated collection greatly reduces physical injuries and accidents for sanitation workers.



## Will I be charged a fee for the cart or the new recycling program?

The refuse rate on your monthly water bill will increase from \$11.32 plus tax to \$12.19 plus tax. The cost of the carts is included in the new fee. The fee increase will not be implemented until the cart program begins.



## What should I do with my old recycling bins?

If you have no use for your old recycling bin(s), we will collect them and send them to a recycler. The collection dates will be determined later. Please check our web site for details.

Please do not place whole recycling bins in the carts. They might become lodged and prevent recycling material from dumping into the collection truck. If your bin is cracked and you are able to break it into pieces, you may put it inside your recycle cart.



## When should I begin using the new cart?

You may begin filling your new recycling cart immediately; place it curbside on your next regular collection day.

# Got Drugs?

**Turn in your unused or expired medication  
for anonymous, safe disposal  
Saturday, April 27, 2013  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

## Collection sites near you:

### North Police District

620 W. Division Street  
817.459.5600

### East Police District

2001 New York Ave.  
817.459.5803

### Walgreen's Pharmacy

4400 W. Green Oaks Blvd  
817.563.0142

### South Police District

1030 S.W. Green Oaks Blvd.  
817.459.6640



**For more  
information,  
please visit  
ArlingtonTX.gov**

#### ACCEPTED:

- Controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter medications
- All solid dosage pharmaceutical product and liquids in consumer containers; liquid products, such as cough syrup (please keep sealed in original container.)

#### NOT ACCEPTED:

- Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes
- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine

#### TIPS:

- Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box.
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**Nothing Could Dampen  
the Joy of Home Ownership...**



# Or Could it?

Springtime brings warmer weather, but also brings conditions such as severe storms and heavy rainfall that increase flood risk.

Just a steady rainfall can cause rivers, lakes, or other bodies of water to overflow their banks—threatening the properties around them.

When a flood strikes, it causes anguish, destruction, and financial hardship—and the joy of home ownership can turn into a headache.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) can help protect you from financial losses caused by flooding and can give you piece of mind. NFIP flood insurance protects your most important investments—your home or business and its contents.

Remember, floods can happen anytime, anywhere. Make sure you're covered. For more information about how to protect you and your property visit [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov).



For more information on flooding in Arlington visit [www.arlingtontx.gov/stormwater](http://www.arlingtontx.gov/stormwater).

**Flooding is America's #1 Natural Disaster.**

# **ECOFEST ARLINGTON** **is September 21, 2013** **10 a.m. - 10 p.m.**

**Founders Plaza and Levitt Pavilion  
Downtown Arlington**

Ecofest Arlington is a free, family oriented event with live entertainment, kid's activities, green vendors, motivating classes, hands-on demonstrations and more.



**Mark your calendar today with some  
of the scheduled activities:**

- Free Trees (arrive early)
- Bike and Skateboard Safety (bring gear)
- Critterman and Petting Zoo
- Sprinkler/Lawn Care Classes
- Gardening/Composting/DIY Demos
- Green Products and Services Vendors
- Electronic Recycling Collection

**Musical entertainment:**

10 a.m.-6 p.m.... Local Acts | 8 p.m.... The Killdares

**[www.ecofestarlington.com](http://www.ecofestarlington.com)**

**✂** Showerhead exchange at the  
"Fix It Green" booth in the  
demonstration area

Bring 2 old showerheads and receive up to  
2 free, high-efficiency showerheads  
that can help save up to 30%  
water and energy costs  
related to showering!





March 18-24, 2013

EPA  
WaterSense

# Fix a Leak Week

[www.epa.gov/watersense/fixaleak](http://www.epa.gov/watersense/fixaleak)

Fix a Leak Week is celebrated in March as a time to remind everyone to check their household fixtures and sprinkler systems for leaks.

This year, Arlington Water Utilities has coordinated with local WaterSense Retail Partners to provide free “Fix a Leak Workshops.”

## Free Fix a Leak Workshops

Saturday, March 23, 10 am-12 pm

10 - 10:40 am ..... Repair/Replace Leaking Faucets

10:40 - 11:20 am ... Repair/Replace Leaking Toilets

11:20 am - 12 pm ..... Sprinkler System Repair

### **The Home Depot #554**

201 Road to Six Flags West, Arlington, TX 76011

### **The Home Depot #541**

4611 S. Cooper St., Arlington, TX 76017

### **The Home Depot #6568**

1725 N. US Hwy 287, Mansfield, TX 76063

### **Lowe's #520**

1000 W. Arbrook, Arlington, TX 76015

### **Lowe's #1511**

1901 Hwy 287, Mansfield, TX 76063

This water conservation message is sponsored by your City of Arlington Water Utilities (AWU) Department.



[www.SaveArlingtonWater.com](http://www.SaveArlingtonWater.com)





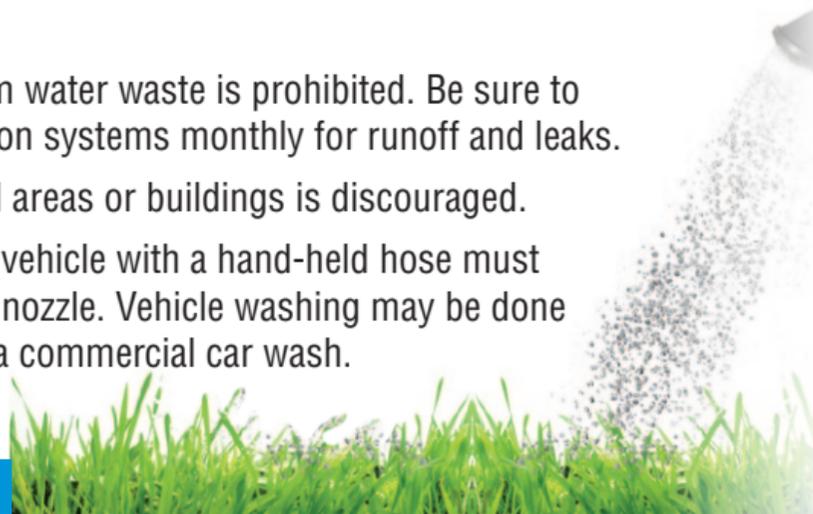
# Stage 1 Drought Restrictions In Effect

Tarrant Regional Water District, the water supplier for Arlington and 98% of Tarrant County, entered Stage 1 of the Drought Contingency Plan on Monday, June 3, and Arlington will begin mandatory water restrictions. The goal of Stage 1 is to prohibit non-essential water use and save 5% of current consumption.

## Restrictions include:

- Maximum two day per week watering schedule with sprinklers and irrigation systems based on address. Refer to the chart on back for your watering days. Remember to not water if rainfall occurs that week.
- Use of hand-held watering, drip irrigation and soaker hoses may occur at any time.
- No outdoor watering between 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. year round.
- Irrigation system water waste is prohibited. Be sure to inspect irrigation systems monthly for runoff and leaks.
- Hosing of paved areas or buildings is discouraged.
- Washing of any vehicle with a hand-held hose must have a shutoff nozzle. Vehicle washing may be done at any time at a commercial car wash.

Full details available at: [www.SaveArlingtonWater.com](http://www.SaveArlingtonWater.com)



# STAGE 1 DROUGHT RESTRICTIONS WATERING SCHEDULE

| Residential Customers   | Residential Customers  | Commercial Customers  |
|---|--|---|
| Addresses Ending with<br><u>Even Number</u><br>(0, 2, 4, 6, or 8) | Addresses Ending with<br><u>Odd Number</u><br>(1, 3, 5, 7, or 9) | (Apartments, businesses,<br>medians and common areas,<br>parks, etc.) |
| Wednesday<br>Saturday   | Thursday<br>Sunday   | Tuesday<br>Friday   |





# Stage 1 Drought Restrictions Update

Tarrant Regional Water District's water supply is below 75% capacity. Mandatory watering restrictions are necessary at this time to help extend supplies and potentially avoid entering Stage 2 water restrictions at 60% capacity. Continue to water only when needed and use the two day schedule for sprinkler systems. Remember: no outdoor watering between 10 a.m.-6 p.m. year round and hand watering, soaker hoses and drip irrigation are allowed any day and any time.

## WATERING SCHEDULE

### Residential Customers

Addresses Ending with  
Even Number  
(0, 2, 4, 6, or 8)

Wednesday | Saturday

### Residential Customers

Addresses Ending with  
Odd Number  
(1, 3, 5, 7, or 9)

Thursday | Sunday

### Commercial Customers

(Apartments, businesses,  
medians and common areas,  
parks, etc.)

Tuesday | Friday

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# Arlington Home Improvement Incentive Program



## Program Contacts

For information, visit:

[www.arlingtontx.gov/planning/hiip.html](http://www.arlingtontx.gov/planning/hiip.html)

For information guidelines  
and application forms,  
visit the website or contact  
Steve Quirk at 817-459-6501 or  
[Steve.Quirk@arlingtontx.gov](mailto:Steve.Quirk@arlingtontx.gov)

*Incentives are not guaranteed unless an Incentive Agreement is executed with the City of Arlington. All incentives are subject to Program funding which can be depleted, reprogrammed, or otherwise unavailable. Incentive Program can be changed or discontinued at any time for any reason without notice.*

**If you have been planning to make improvements to your home but have been waiting for the right time.... *It's Time!***

**If you have been planning to purchase and renovate a home to reside in as your personal residence ... *It's Time!***

Sept. 2012





## Arlington Home Improvement Incentive Program

The Arlington Home Improvement Incentive Program is designed to revitalize the community by:

- Encouraging homeowners to improve residential property conditions through capital improvements.
- Encouraging homeowners to make energy efficient improvements.
- Positively affecting the value of residential housing in the City.
- Demonstrating the City's commitment to invest in residential neighborhoods.

### Incentive Payment

- A one-time rebate equal to ten times the amount of the increase in City taxes will be paid to the homeowner based on the property's pre-improvement and post-improvement appraised value. For the purposes of this program, the Tarrant County Appraisal District will determine the home's certified value.
- When the project has been completed, the rebate will be paid to the homeowner pursuant to the Incentive Agreement after April 1 of the first full calendar year.
- Rebates will be paid up to a maximum of \$5,000 per dwelling.



### Incentive Example

- A home improvement project approved in March 2011 is completed in August 2011
- City property tax prior to improvements (Jan 2011): \$638
- The City property tax following improvements (Jan 2012): \$838
- The difference between pre- and post-improvements is \$200
- Total incentive received will be \$2,000, which is ten times the increase in taxable value improvements ( $\$200 \times 10 = \$2,000$ )

### Eligibility Requirements

- Homeowner must own the home, which must be located within the City of Arlington.
- Homeowner cannot be delinquent in taxes or other fees.
- Reconstruction or remodeling projects must cost at least \$20,000 and be completed within 24 months of project approval.
- Homeowner must submit an application to the City of Arlington Community Development and Planning Dept. prior to improvement, provide a cost estimate for the improvement project, consent to periodic inspections during construction and verify final construction costs.
- Homeowner must execute an Incentive Agreement with the City of Arlington.





March 14-20, 2011

## Fix a Leak Week

A leaky toilet can waste hundreds of gallons of water per day. Find silent leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring into the tank and seeing if it appears in the bowl before you flush. Look for dripping faucets, showerheads, and fixture connections. Don't forget to check irrigation systems and spigots too. For repair tips go to:



[www.epa.gov/watersense/fixaleak](http://www.epa.gov/watersense/fixaleak)

## World Water Day March 22, 2011

A large, stylized blue water drop that contains a detailed image of the Earth (planet) inside its lower portion.

World Water Day is held annually on March 22 as a means of focusing attention on the importance of freshwater and advocating for the sustainable management of freshwater resources. Knowing our region's population is expected to double over the next 50 years, it is very important to use water efficiently today for a more reliable supply tomorrow.

This water conservation message is sponsored by your City of Arlington Water Utilities Department.



[www.SaveArlingtonWater.com](http://www.SaveArlingtonWater.com)



## Save Money and Water:

### Maintain Your Sprinkler System

Conduct monthly inspections to identify and adjust any sprinkler heads that are spraying water on the street or driveway.

Only operate water sprinklers before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m. to reduce evaporation.

Adjust the watering schedule with the seasons and only water 1 inch every 5-7 days during the heat of the summer and 1 inch every 3 weeks in winter.



Install a rain and freeze sensor to automatically turn off the sprinkler system during rain events and freezing weather.

Convert landscape bed irrigation zones to drip irrigation that directly applies water to the plant root zone.

### Free Irrigation Classes

Arlington Water Utilities, with the Tarrant Regional Water District and Texas AgriLife Research and Extension, is offering two free irrigation classes this spring:

Drip Irrigation: Wednesday, April 20  
Do-it-Yourself 6 – 8 p.m.

Irrigation Thursday, May 12  
Quick Fixes 6 – 8 p.m.

Location: Southwest Branch Library,  
3311 S.W. Green Oaks Blvd.

Please RSVP at 817-459-6628  
or email [dustan.compton@arlingtontx.gov](mailto:dustan.compton@arlingtontx.gov).

More information: [www.SaveArlingtonWater.com](http://www.SaveArlingtonWater.com)

# Got Drugs?

**Turn in your unused or expired medication  
for anonymous, safe disposal  
Saturday, October 26, 2013  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

## Collection sites near you:

### North Police District

620 W. Division Street  
817.459.5600

### East Police District

2001 New York Ave.  
817.459.5803

### Walgreen's Pharmacy

4400 W. Green Oaks Blvd  
817.563.0142

### South Police District

1030 S.W. Green Oaks Blvd.  
817.459.6640

### Walgreen's Pharmacy

2410 Ballpark Way 817.861.7661



**For more information,  
please visit  
[ArlingtonTX.gov](http://ArlingtonTX.gov)**

#### ACCEPTED:

- Controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter medications
- All solid dosage pharmaceutical product and liquids in consumer containers; liquid products, such as cough syrup (please keep sealed in original container.)

#### NOT ACCEPTED:

- Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes
- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine

#### TIPS:

- Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box.
- All participants must retain possession of their own medication during the surrender process.



**Water Utilities**





# Your Hose Could be Hazardous to Your Health

Arlington Water Utilities works hard to provide safe, high quality drinking water to your home, but we need your help to protect the water after it gets there!

The danger comes when a hose—any hose—is connected to a harmful substance. If water pressure drops, contaminated water can be sucked back into your pipes and into your drinking water.

## Help protect your water by taking these easy steps:

- ◆ Install an inexpensive hose bibb vacuum breaker for all of your outside faucets.
- ◆ Never submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, or sinks.
- ◆ Do not use spray attachments for applying lawn chemicals or soap without a backflow preventer.



**Need more information?  
Call 817-459-5902.**