## Don't Throw That Bacon Grease Down The Drain!!

## GREASE is the word -

at least when it comes to recycling.

Ocean County has recently started a used cooking oil and cooking grease recycling program with collection at the county's two regional recycling facilities in Lakewood and Stafford Townships.

"When cooking grease is thrown down the drain it solidifies and builds up in local sewerage and septic systems," said Freeholder Deputy Director James F. Lacey. "Over time this waste can clog pipes and threaten backups into homes."

Lacey, who is liaison to the county's recycling program, said the program is available only to residents and not businesses. Each household may drop off up to 5 gallons of grease and oil per day. The discarded grease and oil will be recycled into bio-fuels and contaminant-free feed for animals.

A 300-gallon tank has been installed at both recycling centers. There is NO FEE to drop off the waste.

ACCEPTABLE OILS INCLUDE cooking pan grease left over from bacon, roasts, fish, chicken and so forth along with cooking oil from household deep fryers and turkey fryers.

While MOTOR OIL IS NOT ACCEPTED as part of this new program, additional receptacles remain available at both recycling centers for automotive waste.

Ocean County Northern Recycling Center, 601 New Hampshire Avenue, Lakewood Ocean County Southern Recycling Center, 379 Haywood Road, Manahawkin

For more information on this program and other county recycling programs go to the Department of Solid Waste Management at www.co.ocean.nj.us/recycle

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