

“Green” Home Tips

Prevent pollution from entering your storm drains and protect the health of your family, your community, and the Grand River by following these tips.

1. Protect your family’s health. Dispose of unwanted paints, solvents, and cleaners at your county’s household hazardous waste collection center, located behind the Kentwood Department of Public Works building located at 5068 Breton Ave SE during scheduled collection times.
2. Lower your water bill. Install a rain barrel to capture and reuse your storm water.
3. If you have a septic system, have it pumped out every 3 to 5 years to avoid a costly septic system failure. Failing septic systems can leak bacteria into your local stream (Buck or Plaster Creek), the Grand River, and eventually Lake Michigan, causing beach closures.

