



## Earth Love Month

### Day 28: Take out the trash...properly

Dispose of special items with due care:

- Never flush or pour down the drain pesticides, medications or toxic chemicals.
- Dispose of household hazardous materials such as pesticides, light bulbs, batteries, paint and solvents, motor oil, etc. properly. Most municipalities have special facilities for recycling such items. For NYC, [check out this page](#) for specific information.
- Recycle household appliances and electronics. Again, check with your municipality for specifics on where/how to do that.
- Recycle plastic bags at the grocery store. Many stores now have special collection bins at the entry for that purpose.
- Unused medications may be recycled at most pharmacies or at many police stations.
- Check if your neighborhood is part of an organics collection program and keep kitchen scraps out of landfill. If that's not available, consider starting a neighborhood composting initiative.

