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The little things
you do at home can
make a big difference
here in the Bay!

How can you help?

Outdoors:

1 Please, don't dump anything into storm drains.

Motor oil, chemicals, and paint thinner drain into the Bay and harm lobsters, fish, clams, birds, and other wildlife.

Storm drains can handle only rain and snow runoff: Litter, trash, and **even leaves clog drains**, which cost thousands of tax dollars to repair each year.

2 Maintain septic tanks. Keep fecal bacteria from leaching into our groundwater and streams.

3 Aim gutter downspouts into a rain barrel or garden. Reduce the load on storm drains that flow directly into Casco Bay.

4 Pick up after your pet. Keep dog poop from polluting the clams and shellfish we eat!

Because
it all ends up here.

