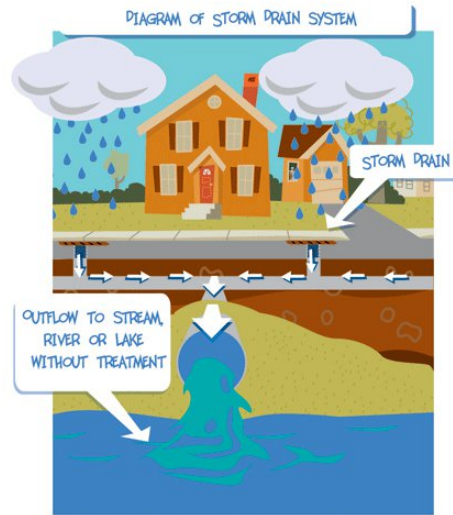


ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN!



- Above obtained from the H2O Hero website

Sanitary and storm drainage in the Town of Sweden are handled by separate systems; sanitary sewers and storm water conveyance systems. The stormwater conveyance systems consist of catch basins, storm drains, pipes, ditches, and outfalls that transport stormwater runoff from a rain storm event or snow melt to the nearest waterway or other water body. Unlike sanitary sewers, our storm drainage systems offers little or no treatment prior to being discharged into our streams and other water bodies.

Storm drainage contains sediment, bacteria, fertilizers, pesticides, automotive fluids, and other pollutants which enter our stormwater conveyance systems and eventually find their way into our lakes and streams. It is everyone's responsibility to reduce, to the maximum extent possible, the amount of these pollutants which enter our storm drainage systems.

The good news is that how we conduct our everyday activities, such as how we care for and maintain our cars, lawns, and pets can have a significant impact on the amount of pollutants which enter our storm drainage system.

To learn more about storm water and the ways you can reduce stormwater pollution visit the Stormwater Coalition of Monroe County website at www2.monroecounty.gov/des-stormwater-coalition and the H2O Hero website at www.H2OHero.org.