

## **YOUR DOG, YOUR POOP**

Did you know there are bacteria, viruses and parasites in dog poop? Yuck!

Help protect our waterways by remembering that it's **YOUR DOO-TY TO PICK IT UP**.

Most waterbodies in Broward County are contaminated with fecal coliform.

Pet waste left behind is considered illegal dumping

93% of fecal coliform tested nationwide comes from non-human sources

4 out of 10 U.S. households include at least 1 dog

1 Gram
of dog feces
contains about
23 million fecal
coliform
bacteria

40% of dog owners don't pick up after pet



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## **Dog Waste**

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- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency labeled dog waste as a non-point source pollutant, similar to herbicides and insecticides, oil, grease, etc.
- Fecal coliform bacteria can cause intestinal illness and serious kidney disorders in humans
- Never throw dog waste into a storm drain. Throw it in the garbage.
- Pick up dog waste from your yard. It is NOT a fertilizer.

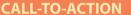
## IT'S THE LAW!

Dogs must be kept on a leash and all excrement picked up.

Sec. 4-3 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances states that dogs at large are prohibited.

Section 4-8 of Broward County's Chapter 4 Ordinance requires pet owners to pick up after their dog.





- Come to our events and take the pledge to get a free portable bag dispenser
- Spread the word
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## Do your part to help ensure we have clean waterways!





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