No Wipes in Your Pipes

Remember the 3 P's

Happy Pipes

Pipe Rescue

Natick Health Department

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#piperescue
Why it's a Problem

Financial Cost to the Town of Natick
- New grinder pumps
  - $80,000 per pump
- Repairs for grinder pumps
  - $5,000 and up per pump
- Costs Natick DPW staff countless man-hours unclogging wipes from pumps

Financial Cost to Residents
- Sewer line repair - $200-$7,500
- Septic tank repair - $300-$5,000
- New septic system - $12,000-$35,000

Health Risks - Infectious Diseases
- Hepatitis A (virus)
- Gastroenteritis (virus)
- Salmonellosis (bacteria)
- Shigellosis (bacteria)
- Giardiasis (parasite)
- Hookworm infection (parasite)

Prevention
- NO baby wipe flushing
- No oil/fat/grease dumping
- Hand washing

#PIPERESCUE

The Natick Health Department and the Department of Public Works are working together to provide a safe environment to the residents. With your help, this possibility could become a reality. Flushable/non-flushable wipes are causing major problems throughout the community. When flushed, wipes get lodged in sewer lift pump/grinder pumps, clogging them, and eventually the sewer mains. If bad enough, sewage back-ups could end up in someone's home. Putting residents at great risk of unintended financial cost.