How to Dispose of Latex & Acrylic Paint

Latex and Acrylic Paint is <u>NOT</u> a hazardous waste. These products are water based and can be disposed of at home following these steps:

- 1. Make every attempt to use all of your paint.
- 2. **Donate** your unused paint to friends, church, or another organization. Please contact location for recycling and disposal information.
 - a. Habitat for Humanity ReStore
 - b. RepcoLite
 - c. Local Hardware Store
- 3. *Dispose* of your unused paint at home.
 - a. Take off the lid and allow the paint to dry into a solid.
 - b. Add kitty litter, saw dust, or mulch to the can to speed up the drying process.



Once the latex or acrylic paint is dried into a solid, it can be disposed of with regular household trash. Please note, this process can take multiple days. Paint must be completely dry to the bottom of the can before disposing of with regular household trash.

Proper management of paint and household products protects the environment and water quality. Please do not dispose of paints by dumping them on the ground, into a storm drain, or down a household drain. Improperly dumping paints or solvents can allow them to enter the groundwater and surface waterways.