

CITY OF TUCSON ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bring Your Own Bag Tucson

In a year's time, nearly 135 million single-use plastic bags were distributed in Tucson. Yes, plastic bags can be handy but they can be an eyesore and become litter, caught in plants, blowing in streets, and clogging drainage facilities. Here are some easy ways you can reduce consumption of plastic bags:

- ⊕ **Bring your own bag when you shop.** Reusable bags hold more items and some reusable bags are insulated to ensure better food and beverage temperatures.
- ⊕ Only buying 1 or 2 items? **Refuse the plastic bag** and carry out.

- ⊕ **Re-use plastic bags** to line wastebaskets or to deposit pet waste.
- ⊕ **Recycle plastic bags, film and wrap** at local grocers and retailers. Most recycled plastic bags are used to make composite lumber. From January 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014, Tucsonans recycled 362 tons of plastic bags.

Small changes in habits can make a positive impact. Learn more at <http://es.tucsonaz.gov/es/tucson-plastic-bag-ordinance>.

PIMA COUNTY WASTEWATER RECLAMATION

Sanitary Sewer Overflows on the Decline.



Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO)s are the backup of raw sewage into your home, streets or the environment.

Two factors have led to a significant decline in the number of SSOs experienced in our community:

- The efforts of our staff in maintaining the sanitary sewers, and
- The efforts of our customers in keeping cooking oils and grease out of their drains.



Your utilities services statement includes fees for your water, environmental services, and wastewater.

Environmental Services (ES) (520) 791-3171 or visit tucsonaz.gov/esd
 Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department (PCRWRD) (520) 724-6500 or visit www.pima.gov/government/wastewaterreclamation