

Storm Drain Stenciling

Storm drains are part of the storm sewer system which carries water from rainfall and snowmelt directly from your neighborhood to our local rivers, lakes, streams and wetlands. This water becomes polluted when it picks up things like grass clippings, leaves, pesticides, motor oil, trash and pet waste and flushes them into storm drains. Storm water is NOT treated by wastewater treatment facilities and therefore it is a direct route for pollutants to enter Lake Macatawa!

The Macatawa Area Coordinating Council supplies community volunteers with all the supplies to paint stenciled messages near the storm drains in your neighborhood to remind you and your neighbors to keep pollutants off the streets, driveways and sidewalks and out of storm drains. This is a perfect service activity for school groups, church groups, home school groups, scout troops and homeowner's associations. Please visit the MACC's website to learn more (<http://www.the-macc.org/watershed/education-outreach/>) or contact Mary Fales at 616-395-2688 or mfales@the-macc.org to schedule a storm drain stenciling event.

