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## **Location Change for June's Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department has announced a location change for their June 10 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection, which will now take place at **Southeast High School**, 37<sup>th</sup> & Van Dorn, on Friday, June 10, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Residents are encouraged to check sheds, garages and basements for unwanted household chemicals to bring to this event, since the next collection will not take place until late August.

Items accepted at the HHW collection include fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) and tubes, pesticides, paint thinners, stains, polishes and waxes, turpentine, oil-based paint, pool cleaning chemicals, flea and tick powders, rodent poison, charcoal starter fluids, mixed or old gasoline, mercury-containing items including thermometers, upholstery cleaners, grease removers and brake and power steering fluids.

Items that can be recycled or safely disposed of locally **will not** be accepted at the HHW collection: latex paint, motor oil, gas grill cylinders, pharmaceutical waste, electronics, and batteries. The 2011 Waste Reduction and Recycling Guide provides information on what to do with those items (and can be accessed on-line at [www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov), keyword: recycling). Residents are encouraged to buy the minimum amount of household chemicals needed and to choose the least toxic alternative, therefore reducing hazardous waste from their households.

This will be the last HHW collection until August 27, 2011. For more information about the collections, contact 441-8021 or check the website at [www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov) (keyword: household).

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