

## PROPER DISPOSAL

Huntington's Public Works Department will collect leaves that are bagged. Tree branches and vegetative debris tied in bundles (48 inch x 18 inch diameter) will also be accepted. Place with regular trash. If more than 4 bags or bundles, call for special pick up. 304-696-5540 (Dept. of Public Works- Refuse division)

The City landfill is open to Huntington residents who pay their City refuse fee. The landfill is located on South High Street, Guyandotte. Brush (6 inches diameter & 4 ft sections) and yard waste of one truck load per month is accepted.

## STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM

Huntington's street sweeping is not a beautification effort but rather a critical action to keep debris from entering storm drains, sewers, and treatment plant. Only curbed streets are swept.

- Up to Two Passes are Made on Each Street



This storm drain is completely clogged with decaying leaves and grass which can contribute to flooding. It's important to keep your leaves and grass clippings off the street.



Huntington Stormwater Utility  
305 3rd Street West  
Huntington, WV 25701  
304-942-2525

## WHAT TO DO WITH GRASS CLIPPINGS AND LEAVES





# HELP KEEP OUR CITY CLEAN BY PUTTING LEAVES & GRASS IN RIGHT PLACE!

## WHAT TO DO WITH GRASS CLIPPINGS AND LEAVES

- Keep grass taller. Taller grass has deeper roots, which helps rain soak into the ground, and creates fewer grass clippings.
- Leave clippings on the lawn, mulch or compost them. Be sure not to blow them into the street!
- Bag grass clippings for pickup if you don't want them on your lawn.
- In the fall, bag leaves for pickup by public works crews.



## LANDSCAPING SERVICES

Do you use a landscaping service to cut grass or remove leaves? If so, make sure the company is properly disposing of grass clippings and leaves. Utility crews and other citizens see many lawn care companies illegally blowing grass clippings into the streets.

This means our crews have to make special trips to clean out storm drains. This ultimately costs you more money in higher rates.

Clogged storm drains also cause localized street flooding.

According to Article 960.02 of the Codified Ordinances; it is unlawful to blow or sweep grass clippings, leaves, or other yard waste into the street.

It is also unlawful to place yard waste into Fourpole Creek.

## WHAT ABOUT YARD WASTE AND WATER POLLUTION?

Yard debris, including leaves and grass, when left decaying on the street or in a storm drain is a source of water pollution. As organic material, such as leaves and grass, breaks down it adds excess nutrients like nitrogen and phosphorus to the water. This leads to unwanted and uncontrolled algae blooms which can be harmful to human health and your pets. The best way to manage this problem is to keep grass and leaves out of the street!



Severe algae bloom in Fourpole Creek

**CLEAN WATER =  
CLEAN CITY**