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 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM  
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## MOSQUITO BREEDING SITE CHECK LIST

Checked?	POTENTIAL BREEDING SITE	HOW TO CORRECT
	Roof gutters	<i>Clean out leaves and debris frequently to ensure water flows freely and does not accumulate.</i>
	Black corrugated pipes for downspout drainage	<i>Grooves in plastic pipes can hold enough water to breed mosquitoes. Treat with a larvicide.</i>
	Buckets, watering cans, drinking glasses, plastic cups, bottle caps or any trash that can hold water	<i>Store indoors or turn over. If trash, recycle or throw away.</i>
	Cans and containers	<i>Throw away, store indoors, turn upside down, drill holes in the bottom, or empty after rain showers.</i>
	Old tires	<i>Recycle or store where they won't collect rainwater. For playground use, drill water drainage holes. Call your municipality or city for recycling information.</i>
	Bird baths	<i>Change the water or flush out and clean with a garden hose at least once a week.</i>
	Landscape ponds	<i>Stock with fish (fish eat mosquito larvae), filter/aerate the water with a recirculation pump or treat with a larvicide as needed.</i>
	Potted plants with saucers	<i>Empty saucers or flush out with garden hose once a week.</i>
	Dripping outdoor faucets and window air conditioners	<i>If water puddles, repair faucet. Place rocks under window air conditioner to ensure water runoff.</i>
	Swimming pools	<i>If using, run pump/filter and add pool chemicals on a regular basis. If unused or abandoned, treat water with larvicide once per month. Make attempt to close the pool with a secure cover.</i>
	Swimming pool covers	<i>Drain water weekly with a pump or treat water monthly with a larvicide.</i>
	Children's toys	<i>Store indoors or in a manner that prevents water accumulation. Note that some toys have inner compartments that can hold water.</i>
	Tarps on woodpiles and garden equipment	<i>Empty water that collects in folds and sagging areas. Tighten or straighten so water runs off.</i>
	Wheelbarrows	<i>Turn over when not in use.</i>
	Under decks, porches or outbuildings	<i>Fill in depressions where water can collect. Remove any container that can collect water.</i>
	Garbage cans, recycle bins, other barrels	<i>Keep covered or drill drainage holes in bottom. Place lids on garbage cans. Store bins and barrels to allow water runoff.</i>
	Canoes, boats	<i>Cover with a tight-fitting tarp or store upside down.</i>