

At the Department of Public Services, the staff is working hard to get rid of mosquitoes that spread the West Nile Virus by educating our residents, larviciding, and through code enforcement.

### **Education**

Educate residents to empower them to assist in source reduction of mosquito breeding habitat and education in personal protection.

### **Larviciding**

*Larviciding is the method used to kill mosquitoes while they are still in the aquatic stage (larvae and pupae)*

Method: All catch basin will receive a treatment of water borne insecticide. This includes City, Schools, and Private Lots.

### **Code Enforcement**

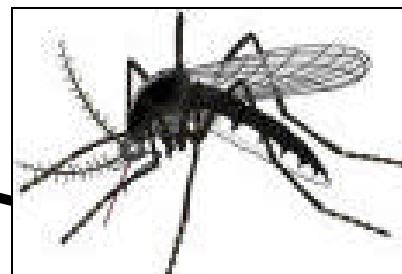
Residents are encouraged to report potential mosquito breeding sites to the Hazel Park Code Enforcement at (248) 546-4074.

### **How to Dispose of Dead Crows or Birds**

- ? All dead crows should be reported to the Hazel Park Animal Control at (248) 546-4096. Please leave your name, phone number, and address of where the crow was found.
- ? Avoid barehanded contact when touching the dead bird.
- ? Use gloves or double plastic bags to pickup the bird.
- ? Place the dead bird in a double plastic bag.
- ? Dispose of the dead bird by placing it in a garbage receptacle for pick-up.

## **City of Hazel Park Department of Public Services**

**West Nile Virus  
“Reduce, Repel & Report”**



## **Mosquito Control Program**

111 East Nine Mile  
Hazel Park, MI 48030  
(248) 546-4096 Animal Control  
(248) 546-4074 Code Enforcement  
[www.hazelpark.org](http://www.hazelpark.org)

## Mosquito Facts

Females are the only mosquitoes that bite. They require a human or animal's blood to nourish their eggs. They produce many batches of eggs and constantly need new blood to reproduce often. Mosquitoes bite a variety of hosts—birds, dogs, horses, cattle, and people.

## Mosquito Life Cycle

Mosquitoes undergo four stages of development: egg, larva, pupa, and adult. Virtually any natural or man-made collection of standing water left untreated can support mosquito development.

## How to Prevent Infection

- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and use netting over strollers and playpens when outdoors.
- Apply insect repellent to exposed skin. An effective repellent will contain the active ingredient DEET (N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide). Follow the manufacturer's directions for use on the label.
- Avoid areas that are known mosquito habitats during early morning and evening hours.

## Remember the Three R's

- Reduce** areas where mosquitoes breed.
- Repel** to protect yourself against mosquitoes.
- Report** potential mosquito breeding sites

## Prevention

- ? Old Tires, cans, pails, and other water holding containers are ideal breeding sites. Store them upside down or get rid of them.
- ? Fill in or drain low spots in your yard.
- ? Keep eave troughs clean of leaves and debris.
- ? Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store them inside when not in use. Unused backyard swimming pools may also create breeding problems. Keep boats/canoes covered or upside down. Drain water from tarps or plastic sheeting which cover wood-piles, boats, and pools, etc.
- ? Change bird bath water weekly. Empty pet bowls and flower pots frequently.
- ? Keep grass cut and shrubbery well-trimmed so adult mosquitoes will not hide there in the daytime.
- ? Make sure that doors and windows have tight fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes in them.
- ? Repair leaky outdoor faucets.



**For additional information on West Nile Virus contact Oakland County Health Division's Information at 1 (877) 377-3641, or website at [www.co.oakland.mi.us/health](http://www.co.oakland.mi.us/health)**