

PREPARE FOR A GOOD TIME

Stay healthy and enjoy the outdoors



Things to bring:

- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Water
- Sunglasses
- Mosquito Repellent**

IT'S NOT
JUST A BITE



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Dear Colleague,

WEST NILE VIRUS EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

Summer and fall not only bring hot weather to Los Angeles but also mosquitoes. Mosquitoes are not just annoying, they can spread dangerous and sometimes deadly infections like West Nile virus. Each year, hundreds of people in Los Angeles County become infected with West Nile virus and dozens have died from their infection. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is launching a campaign to educate people about West Nile virus and how they can protect themselves and their communities from mosquitoes. We request your help in sharing this important message with your family, neighbors, community, customers, and clients.

West Nile virus can cause severe diseases like meningitis (brain infection), encephalitis (swelling of the brain) and limb paralysis. The most severe illness occurs in persons over 50 years of age or those who have other health problems. While not all mosquitoes carry this virus, mosquitoes with this virus are found throughout Los Angeles County.

We need your help to inform residents about West Nile virus. We ask that you display the enclosed flyers in public areas to warn people about the threat of West Nile virus and to encourage action to reduce the chance that they and their communities will be affected by mosquito-borne diseases. Additional materials also are available and can be obtained from Public Health online at: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov>.

We urge people to:

- Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered mosquito spray, wipes, or lotion when outside.
- Keep mosquitoes out of your home. Maintain your door and window screens in good condition.
- Check for items that hold water once a week. Cover, clear, clean, and cast out (throw away) items that can breed mosquitoes.



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Mosquitoes spread West Nile virus.

Protect yourself and your loved ones from mosquito bites.

- Wear mosquito repellent when you're outdoors. Use spray, wipes or lotion.
- Cover, clear, clean and throw away items that can hold water and breed mosquitoes.

LEARN MORE AT www.publichealth.lacounty.gov or call 2-1-1

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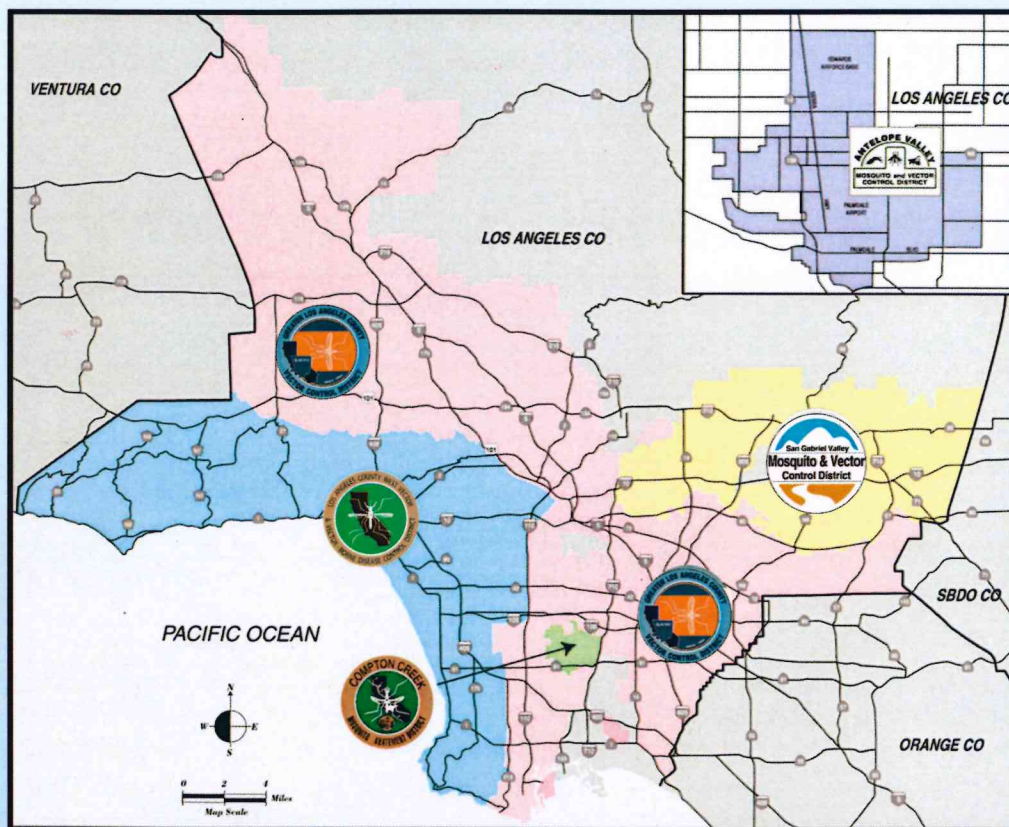


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This vector can be dangerous Do You Know Who to Call?



Vector Control Agencies Protect the Health of Millions



**Greater Los Angeles County
Vector Control District**
(562) 944-9656
www.glacvcd.org

**Los Angeles County West
Vector and Vector-Borne
Disease Control District**
(310) 915-7370
www.lawestvector.org

**Compton Creek Mosquito
Abatement District**
(310) 933-5321
www.comptoncreekmad.org

**Antelope Valley Mosquito
& Vector Control District**
(661) 942-2917
www.avmosquito.org

**San Gabriel Valley Mosquito
& Vector Control District**
(626) 814-9466
www.sgvmosquito.org

Invasive Aedes Mosquitoes – our NEWEST threat!

Protect your family – remove standing water around your home. Contact your local public health agency to report problems, request assistance, or for mosquito-eating fish.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP – BUT WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE!

Los Angeles County
Department of Public Health
County Information
(888) 700-9995
publichealth.lacounty.gov

City of Long Beach DHHS
Bureau of Environmental Health
Vector Control Program
(562) 570-4132
www.longbeach.gov

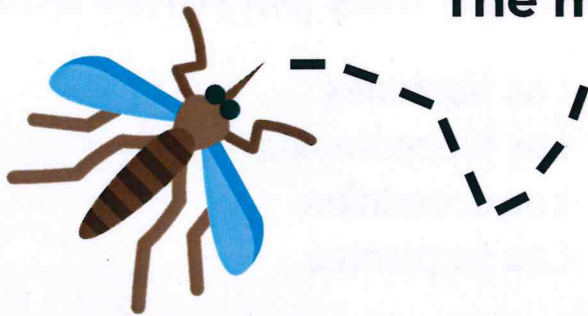


Pasadena Public Health Department
Environmental Health Division
Vector Control Program
(626) 744-6004
www.cityofpasadena.net

City of Vernon
Environmental Health Department
Vector Control Program
(323) 583-8811
www.cityofvernon.org

What Animal Kills the Most People Worldwide?

The mosquito kills more people than:



- sharks
- hippos
- crocodiles
- snakes

Mosquitoes Spread West Nile Virus in LA County

Warm weather promotes mosquito breeding.



Protect yourself and your loved ones



Use mosquito repellent

Use EPA registered spray, wipes, and lotion when outside, especially when in the yard.

Cover or clear out standing water



Throw out water from containers like pots and vases. Mosquitoes breed in standing water.



Cover your skin

Wear long sleeve shirts and pants when possible.

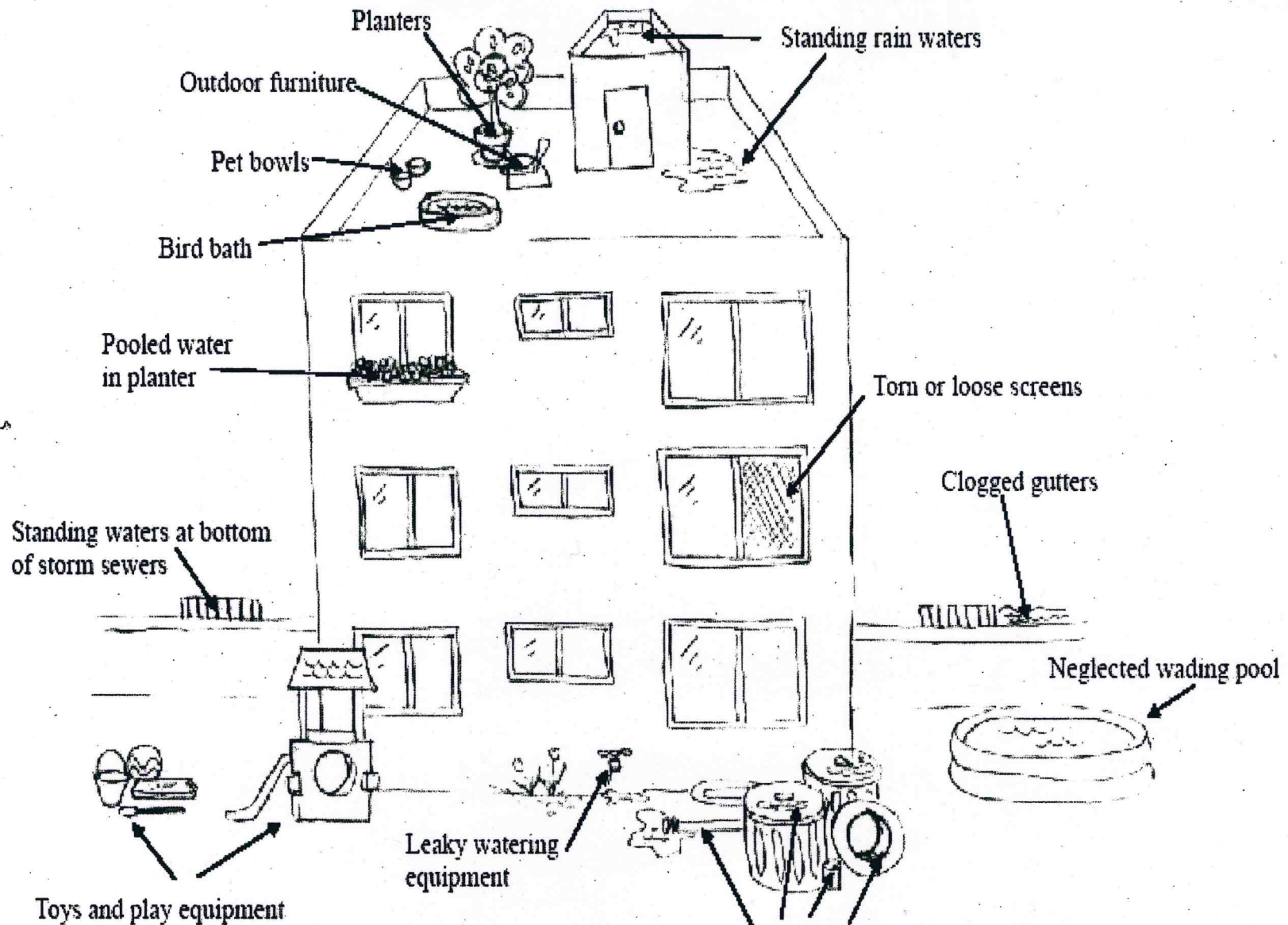
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Where mosquitos and the eggs and hide



Anything that will hold water for more than a few days