

**[When you see rain, remember to dump and drain to prevent mosquitoes!](#)**

Good morning, everyone. Most of us got a little rain last night, and you all know what that means: mosquitoes! Just a few ounces of standing water can produce hundreds of mosquitoes in less than a week. We'll be checking all the big areas of standing water like lakes, ponds, creeks, ditches, and marshes for mosquito larvae next week, but we need your help with the standing water on your property. Please take a moment to check around your home or business for anything that's holding water and dump or drain it if you can. That includes empty buckets or flowerpots, plant saucers, birdbaths, canoes and kayaks, folds in tarps, and trash or debris. Check your gutters, too, and make sure they're not blocked by leaves or other debris. If there's something you can't dump or drain, like your koi pond, water garden, or livestock trough, give us a call! We can stop by with FREE mosquito-eating fish (Gambusia) or give you advice on other solutions. We can also help you locate and resolve the source of any mosquito issues in your neighborhood. If you have questions or would like to request a technician visit, please visit [www.smcmvcd.org](http://www.smcmvcd.org) or call (650) 344-8592. Our services are available to ANY resident of San Mateo County and there is no fee for any of our services. Sincerely, Megan Sebay Public Health Education and Outreach Officer San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District (650) 344-8592 | [www.smcmvcd.org](http://www.smcmvcd.org) Follow us: [Facebook.com/SMCMVCD](https://www.facebook.com/SMCMVCD) | [Twitter.com/SMCMVCD](https://twitter.com/SMCMVCD)