



## **MCHD** MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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For Immediate Release:

The Montgomery County Health Department understands that many individuals in our county may be experiencing a shortage of toilet paper and are using alternative means. Please remember that toilet paper is designed to degrade much more rapidly than other paper products. Flushing other paper products, such as paper towels, down the toilet poses the risk of causing blockages in the public sewer system resulting in sewage back-up. Alternative paper products will not degrade properly in a private septic system and could also cause the need for expensive repairs. Please ensure that these alternative products are being properly disposed of in your regular garbage.

Any questions can be directed to the Montgomery County Health Department at (217) 532-2001. Regular updates on COVID-19 in Montgomery County are available at [mongomeryco.com/health](http://mongomeryco.com/health) or on Facebook.