



# KEEP RODENTS OUT!



**What's the harm?** Rats and mice are destructive pests that can spread disease, contaminate food, and destroy property.

**How do they survive?** Rodents often relocate to new areas where adequate food, water, and shelter are available.



## PRECAUTIONS YOU CAN TAKE TO PROTECT YOUR HOME AND FAMILY



Remove food sources, water, and items that provide shelter for rodents.



Store garbage in rodent-proof containers with tight-fitting lids.



Keep grass short and remove brush/dense shrubbery that protect rodents.



Remove trash, abandoned vehicles, discarded tires, and other items that may serve as rodent nesting sites or shelters.



Store grains and animal feed in rodent-proof containers. *\*Please note, bird feeders may be an attractant.*



The Health Department strongly recommends use of licensed pest control professionals. If you use chemicals or snap traps outdoors, instructions must be followed. Use care to prevent accidentally affecting pets, children, and wildlife.

