Be Paint Wise (Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle)
1. Buy the correct amount
2. Touch up or second coat with extra paint
3. Dispose of empty containers correctly
4. Dispose of brushes, rollers, rags and other materials properly

Paint Disposal (Latex Paint)
- Paint containers that contain less than 3% by weight of the original material are considered “Empty”. The empty container can be recycled once the paint is dried or put in solid waste.
- Unused latex paint can be dried using cat litter, shredded newspaper, or sawdust. Once dry place in solid waste.
- Wash your brushes, rollers and other materials in sink. Never clean tools or paint near stormwater drainage systems.

Solvent-based paint
- Solvent based paint should be stored in a SAA and sent to a recycle or hazardous waste facility.
- Make sure the containers are labeled and dated with the type of material in the container if the label is missing.

Paint Thinners, Turpentine, and Mineral sprits
- Recycle thinners by allowing paint to settle and pour off the clear liquids into a container that has a lid. Once the solids have settled, add absorbent material and allow drying. The dry solids may be placed in the trash.
- Thinners, turpentine, and minerals can be reused.
- Brushes, rollers, and other materials that have been in the materials need to dry and be placed in a non-combustible container for disposal.
- Never dispose of materials in the trash. These are considered hazardous waste.