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Trader Joe's recalls Raw Walnuts because of possible health risk

The Kane County Health Department is advising that Trader Joe's Company is recalling Raw Walnuts because these products have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*.

To date, Trader Joe's Company has not received any illness complaints related to these recalled products, however the product was distributed to Trader Joe stores nationwide.

Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

A list of the recalled products is available by clicking [here](#). The products are packaged in clear plastic bags with the UPC Codes printed on the back. For the Raw California Walnut products, the "BEST BY" dates and Lot Numbers can be found printed on the back of the packages. For the Organic Raw Walnut products, the "BEST BY" dates can be found printed on the front of the packages.

Customers who have purchased the recalled Raw Walnut product are urged not to eat it, and to dispose of the product or return it to any Trader Joe's for a full refund. Customers with questions may contact Trader Joe's Customer Relations at (626) 599-3817 [Monday through Friday, 6:00AM to 6:00PM PST]. Media: (626) 599-2843.

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