SAFE DISPOSAL OF UNUSED MEDICATIONS

A few small steps can make a significant difference in protecting lives and the environment.

Medications play an important part in treating certain conditions and diseases. Unused medications need to be disposed of properly to protect people, pets, wildlife and the environment.

Follow your provider’s directions in taking your medications. Take all your medications as directed. If you do not use all your prescribed or over-the-counter medications, follow the steps below to dispose of your medications.

1. Do not flush unused medications and do not pour them down a sink or drain.
2. Pour medications into a sealable bag. If medication is solid (pill, tablet, liquid capsule, etc.) crush it or add small amount of water to dissolve medication(s).
3. Add kitty litter, sawdust, coffee grounds or any material that mixes with the medications and makes it less appealing for pets and children to eat.
4. Seal the bag and place in the trash.
5. Remove and destroy all personal identifying person information (prescription label) from all medication containers before recycling them or throwing them away.

Consult your pharmacist with any questions. More information regarding safe disposal is located at www.smarxtdisposal.net.

ADDITIONAL ANY TIME DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

ACCEPTED
Prescription & over-the-counter medications
Vitamins
Supplements
Pet Medications

NOT ACCEPTED
Needles or Sharps (Unless otherwise noted)
Thermometers
Hydrogen Peroxide
Inhalers
Aerosol Cans
Medications from Businesses or Clinics

CARROLL COUNTY
Lake Carroll
3-200 Association Drive
Lanark, IL
Lanark Police Department
111 South Broad Street
Lanark, IL
Mt. Carroll Courthouse
301 North Main Street
Mt. Carroll, IL
Savanna Police Department
333 Chicago Avenue
Savanna, IL
Shannon Police Department
17 East Market Street
Shannon, IL
Thomson Police Department
2100 Market Street
Thomson, IL

JO DAVIESS COUNTY
*East Dubuque Police Department
193 Sinsinawa Avenue
East Dubuque, IL
*East Dubuque Police Department
ONLY accepts needles
Galena Police Department
311 North Bench Street
Galena, IL
Hanover Police Department
207 Jefferson Street
Hanover, IL
Stockton Police Department
105 West North Avenue
Stockton, IL
Warren Police Department
516 Anson Street
Warren, IL

OGLE COUNTY
Byron Police Department
232 West 2nd Street
Byron, IL
(During normal business hours)
Forreston Police Department
103 South 1st Avenue
Forreston, IL
(During normal business hours
M-F 8:00 am-5:00 pm)
Mt. Morris Police Department
105 West Lincoln Street
Mt. Morris, IL
Oregon Police Department
115 North 3rd Street
Oregon, IL
Ogle County Sheriff’s Department
202 South 1st Street
Oregon, IL
Polo Police Department
116 South Franklin Avenue
Polo, IL

STEPHENSON COUNTY
Freeport Police Department
320 W. Exchange Street
Freeport, IL

WINNEBAGO COUNTY
Pecatonica Police Department
405 Main Street
Pecatonica, IL
(During normal business hours
M-F 8:00 am-4:30 pm)