

GOT DRUGS?



Do you or your relatives have a medicine cabinet full of old medication?
 Help get rid of them safely

FREE COLLECTION DAY

For Safe Disposal • No Question Asked

SATURDAY **SEPTEMBER 27, 2014** 10AM-2PM

COLLECTION SITES

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY

NORTHAMPTON	Jackson Street School	HADLEY	Hadley PD
AMHERST	Wildwood School	HUNTINGTON	Hungtinton Landfill
BELCHERTOWN	Town Commons	SOUTHAMPTON	Town Hall
EASTHAMPTON	Easthampton Safety Complex	WARE	Ware High School
		WILLIAMSBURG	Williamsburg Pharmacy

COLLECTION SITES

FRANKLIN COUNTY

GREENFIELD	Greenfield PD
ASHFIELD	Town Hall
BERNARDSTON	Senior Center
DEERFIELD	Deerfield PD
MONTAGUE	Safety Complex
SUNDERLAND	Sunderland PD

PERMANENT DRUG DROP OFF BOXES ARE LOCATED AT THESE POLICE STATIONS

Amherst, Athol, Belchertown, Erving, Easthampton, Deerfield, Granby, Greenfield, Hadley, Montague, Northampton, Orange, South Hadley, Sunderland, Ware, Williamsburg



Simply bring them to your local police station & drop them in the **MEDRETURN BOX**



NO LIQUIDS, SYRINGES, IV EQUIPMENT, CHEMOTHERAPY DRUGS

YES

WE ALSO ACCEPT non-prescription meds vitamins - pet meds

NO

needles - syringes - lancets thermometers IV bags - chemo drugs - liquids of any type

SPONSORED BY: The Drug Enforcement Administration, Hampshire/Franklin TRIAD, Office of Northwestern District Attorney, Hampshire County Sheriff Robert J. Garvey, Franklin County Sheriff Christopher Donelan, Local Police Departments, Departments of Public Health, MA Council's on Aging, Smith Vocational High School, Daily Hampshire Gazette and other community partners

WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO SAFELY DISPOSE OF DRUGS?

Some Disturbing Facts About:



Teens

- Prescription drugs are the #1 choice among 12-13 year olds
- 70% of people 12 and older who abuse prescription drugs get them from family and friends
- 1 in 7 teens admitted to abusing prescription drugs to get high in the past year. Sixty percent (60%) of teens who abused prescription pain relievers did so before the age of 15.
- Fifty-six (56%) percent of teens believe that prescription drugs are easier to get than illicit drugs.
- 2 in 5 teens believe that prescription drugs are much safer than illegal drugs and 3 in 10 teens believe that prescription drugs are not addictive.
- 3.1 million 12 to 25 year olds used over the counter cough and cold medicines at least once to get high. 13 is the mean age of the first non-prescribed use of sedatives and stimulants

Elders

- Helping elders clean out their medicine cabinets can help prevent accidental overdoses and the misappropriation of prescription drugs by personal care assistants or loved ones.

The Environment

- A recent study shows that 80% percent of US streams contain small amounts of human antibiotics
- Fish and other aquatic animals have shown adverse effects from medicines in the water
- Small amounts of medicines have been found in drinking water