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# Somerset County Permanent Prescription Drop-Off Boxes

There are currently eight permanent prescription (Rx) drug drop-off boxes in Somerset County. Drop off your expired and unused prescription drugs at any of the following locations—no questions asked.

1. Somerset County Sheriff's Office  
County Administration Building (Lower Level) 20  
Grove Street, Somerville  
This location is open 24 hours a day.
2. Bernards Township Police Department  
1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge  
Hours of operation: 7am—4:30pm  
*After hours, officer is available via phone located in station house.*
3. Branchburg Police Department  
590 Old York Road at Route 202 North  
Branchburg
4. Franklin Township Police Department  
495 Demott Lane, Somerset
5. Hillsborough Police Department  
379 South Branch Road, Hillsborough  
This location is open 24 hours a day.
6. North Plainfield Police Department  
263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield
7. Warren Township Police Department  
44 Mountain Blvd, Warren, NJ 07059
8. Bound Brook Police Department  
226 Hamilton Street, Bound Brook 08805



For more information, visit the Coalition website at [www.safecoalition.org](http://www.safecoalition.org).

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## Why should I dispose of my prescription drugs?

- ◆ Results from a recent national study indicated that 70% of the people who reported using prescription (Rx) drugs for non-medical use within the past year obtained them from a home medicine cabinet, friend or relative.
- ◆ In recent youth focus groups in Somerset County, nearly half (46%) of participants reported that the easiest place to access Rx drugs is from their medicine cabinet at home.
- ◆ Research has also indicated that the majority of young adults who are heroin users started their substance abuse with Rx drugs.

## How can I properly dispose of my prescription medications?

- ◆ Safely dispose of accumulated expired, unwanted or unused Rx drugs and medications by bringing your medications to one of the six permanent Rx boxes listed on the reverse side of this flyer.
- ◆ It is recommended that the pills are kept in the original container with all contact and Rx information covered by a permanent marker or removed from the container.
- ◆ Do not put the medications in a baggie.
- ◆ Syringes and liquids are not accepted at an Rx box. However, the Somerset Medical Center and St. Peter's Hospital participate in the New Jersey Hospital Association's Safe Syringe Program.

## What else can I do to help?

- ◆ Distribute this flyer to all your family and friends to educate them on the danger of prescription drug abuse.
  - ◆ Participate in national and community Prescription Take-Back days—or organize one of your own by contacting the Somerset County Sheriff's Office.
  - ◆ Join the Somerset County Safe Communities Coalition. Contact 908-782-3909 for more information or visit [www.safecoalition.org](http://www.safecoalition.org).
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