



### Medication Safety Tips

1. Keep medication out of the reach of children.
2. Take medication as prescribed. Follow the instructions of your healthcare provider.
3. Do not share your medication with others.
4. Keep medication in its original container.
5. Store your medication in a cool, dry place.
6. Dispose of unused, unwanted, expired medication properly.



### Why use the drop boxes?

- Prevent poisonings and overdoses.
- Help protect Lake Michigan.
- Reduce the risk of illegal use.

The Medication Disposal program has collected 10 **tons** of unused, unwanted, and expired medication since 2009.

### Resources

[www.saveliveskenosha.org](http://www.saveliveskenosha.org)

[www.drugfree.org](http://www.drugfree.org)

[www.lockyourmeds.org](http://www.lockyourmeds.org)

<https://www.samhsa.gov/>

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Resource Center  
262-657-7188

SAMHSA's National Helpline  
1-800-662-HELP (4357)

**For questions, call:**  
Kenosha County  
Division of Health  
262-605-6700

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*A caring community taking action to protect public health, improve public safety, and preserve the environment.*



## Rules of the Box

### ACCEPTABLE

- Prescription drugs
- Over-the-counter medications
- Ointments and creams
- Pet medications
- Sprays
- Liquids
- Inhalers

Cross out personal information or peel off the label.

Place all medication in a sealed bag and place into the drop box.

### NOT ACCEPTABLE

- Biohazardous materials
- Needles/sharps/syringes
- Illegal Drugs



## Drop off your unused/expired medications at these locations

### Kenosha County Public Safety Building

**1000 55<sup>th</sup> St.**

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

*Excluding holidays*

### Pleasant Prairie Police Department

**8600 Green Bay Rd.**

24 hours a day/ 7 days a week

### Somers Fire and Rescue Department

**7511 12<sup>th</sup> St. (Highway E)**

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

*Excluding holidays*

### Village of Salem Lakes

**9814 Antioch Rd. (Highway 83)**

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

*Excluding holidays*

### Twin Lakes Police Department

**920 Lance Dr.**

24 hours a day/7 days a week

### University of Wisconsin – Parkside Police Department

**900 Wood Rd. – Tallent Hall**

**(East side of the building)**

24 hours a day/ 7 days a week



## Prescription drugs are:

- The third most commonly abused category of drugs.
- Some prescription drugs can become addictive, especially when not used as prescribed.
- Overall, an estimated **48 million** people have abused prescription drugs, representing **nearly 20%** of the U.S. population.

(Source: National Council on Alcoholism and Chemical Dependence)

**Addiction is a disease.**

**Treatment is available.**

**Recovery is possible.**