

TAKE BACK YOUR MEDS

FREE • EASY • CONFIDENTIAL

Drop Box Disposal for

Prescribed & Over-the-Counter Medications

Lacey Police Department

420 College St. SE, Lacey
Open Mon, Weds, Fri, 10am - 5pm

Olympia Police Department

601 Fourth Ave. East, Olympia City Hall
Open Mon - Fri, 10am - 3pm

Tenino Police Department

358 McClellan St. SE, Tenino
Open Mon - Fri, Call for appt. - 360-264-2626

Tumwater Police Department

555 Israel Rd. SW, Tumwater
Open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day

Yelm Police Department

206 McKenzie Ave. SE, Yelm
Open Mon - Thurs, 8am - 5pm
Fri, 7:30am - 11:30am
& 12:30 - 4:30pm

Pharmacies: check with stores for available hrs

Martin's Southgate Drug

5201 Capitol Blvd. SW, Tumwater

Ralph's Thriftway Pharmacy

1908 Fourth Ave. East, Olympia

Walgreens

1510 Cooper Pt. Rd. SW, Olympia

Rite Aid, stores countywide

also listed at med-project.org



SAFE DISPOSAL IS EASY

What can I put in the drop box?

YES

Prescriptions
Over-the-counter drugs
Pet medicine
Medicated ointments & lotions
Inhalers
Liquid medicines in leak-proof containers (up to 12 oz.)

NO

Used needles & sharps
Gloves
Bandages
Medical equipment
Business or clinic waste
Vitamins & supplements

**Drop sites aren't for business use.
Household use only.**

How do I dispose of needles & sharps? (in the trash, not in the drop box)

- Handle with caution, sharps may contain infectious disease! (*Syringes, hypodermic needles, IV tubing, lancets, auto injectors & scalpel blades are all examples of sharps.*)
 - Dispose of sharps in a manufactured sharps container – available on-line, at pharmacies, and at medical supply stores and providers.
- or –**
- Use an empty, rigid, non-crushable plastic bottle with a tight fitting lid. Laundry detergent bottles work well. When the container is full, secure the lid tightly. Tape the lid for added security and write “sharps waste” in large letters on the bottle with a permanent marker.
 - Place the container in your **trash**, never with recyclables.



How about Medical Equipment?

The Thurston County Medical Equipment Bank loans out free medical supplies and equipment to people in need. You can donate items such as: wheelchairs, portable commodes, transfer benches, shower benches, walkers, hospital beds, crutches, canes, c-pap machines, and more!
medicalequipmentbank.org

**For more information call the Hazardous Waste Hotline:
(360) 867-2664 or visit takebackyourmeds.org**



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