

Who's in your medicine cabinet?

Don't let your loved one be a victim.

Safely dispose of unused & expired medications at a Baltimore County Police precinct.

For details, call
410-887-3828



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Are your medications safe?

You might be surprised by who's looking in your medicine cabinet...

What is safe storage?

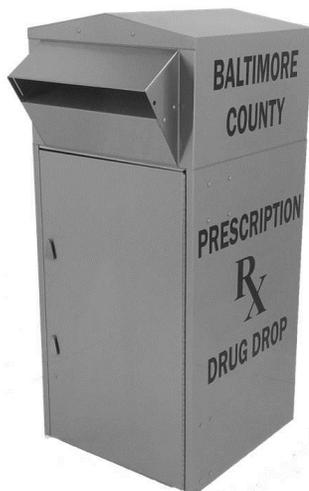
- Prescription medication should **not** be stored in a medicine cabinet.
- **Don't** leave prescription medications out in the open where children or pets could accidentally ingest them.
- Use a secure lock box. They can be purchased online, at some pharmacies and department stores.



Every day, 2,500 teenagers nationwide use a prescription drug to get high for the first time.

Where can I safely dispose of medications?

- Dispose of expired and unused medications in a **Drug Drop Box**.
- Drug drop boxes are located outside of each of Baltimore County 10 Police precincts.
- You can dispose of unused or expired medications 24 hours a day, seven days a week, year-round.



No Access to a Box? Use Your Trash!

1. Take medication out of the original container.
2. Pour into a sealable, plastic bag. Crush or add water to dissolve pills, capsules and liquids.
3. Mix with coffee grounds, cat litter, sawdust (to make it less appealing for pets or children to ingest).
4. Seal the bag and put it in the household trash.
5. Be sure and remove **ALL** identifying personal information (prescription label) from the medicine container.