



## Protect Your Family Dispose of Unwanted Medication Safely



**Public Health**  
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As Mayor of the City of Somerville, I want to reinforce my commitment to preventing drug abuse in Somerville and provide you with information on how you can safely dispose of unwanted medications, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Every year people fill millions of prescriptions to fight infections, ease pain, and manage chronic health issues. Taking medications as prescribed by your health care provider is crucial to your health and well being so be sure you understand the instructions.

Perhaps just as important is disposing of medications you no longer need or use, particularly medication that has potential to be abused, like pain medications. Don't let your medicine cabinet be a place where curious young people might be tempted to experiment

When you no longer need the medication you are getting today at this pharmacy, here are 2 simple steps you can take to dispose of this medication safely.

- ✓ Remove any identifying information (like your name, address etc on the label) from the container OR place medication in a clear ziplock type of bag
- ✓ Drop off the unwanted medications any time of the day or night at the **City of Somerville Public Safety Building 220 Washington Street!** Short term parking is available in front of the building.

**PLEASE NOTE: we CANNOT accept liquid medications, only those in pill or capsule form**

Thank you for joining me in my efforts to make Somerville the best place to live, work, play, and raise a family.

*Mayor Joseph Curtatone*