



**Did you know?** More than 50 percent of 18-25 year olds have used non-prescribed medications.



Seniors are a target for prescription drugs theft. Seniors: Please **don't share** your medications.



**Don't** flush medications down the sink or toilet or throw medications in the trash.



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# Every Day is Drug Take Back Day





## Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal.

### WHERE

Augusta County Sheriff's Office  
127 Lee Hwy (Route 11)  
Verona, VA 24482  
(540) 245-5333  
24 hours a day/7 days a week

If you have unused or expired medications or have medications from a loved one who has passed away, drop off your drugs for disposal, no questions asked.



## Why should I dispose of unused prescription medications?

It can be easy to overlook the presence of dangerous medications in the home. In some cases, they belonged to loved ones who may have passed away or someone who no longer lives in your home.



### Do bring:

Prescriptions  
Over the counter medications  
Liquid medications  
Inhalers  
Vitamins  
Pet medicine



### Do not bring:

Needles and sharps  
Mercury (thermometers)  
Oxygen tanks  
Pressurized containers

## Proper Use

- It is a criminal offense to share prescriptions.
- Medications are specifically prescribed (dose, length of time) for each individual. The same drug can affect someone else differently.
- People who borrow drugs instead of seeing a doctor may miss out on effective treatment for what truly ails them.

## Proper Storage

- Store prescription drugs in secure locations such as lock-boxes, medication safes, locked cabinet or other lockable spaces.
- Avoid storage places others can easily access, such as purses, backpacks, un-locked drawers, or counters.
- Do not leave medication in the medicine cabinet; this is the easiest place for individuals to acquire drugs

## Proper Disposal

- It is not acceptable to flush or throw away medications.
- Studies show measurable amounts of contaminants in drinking water due to improper disposal of medications.
- Dispose of medications at secure drop boxes or drug takeback events.