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Do you have expired, unwanted, and unused prescribed medication in your home?

The misuse and abuse of prescription medication has become a public safety issue for communities and police services across the country, who are working together to draw attention to this concern by fully supporting the National Prescription Drug Drop Off Day on Saturday May 21.

The National Prescription Drug Drop Off Day is a one-day initiative supported by the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police, the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, Partnership for a Drug Free Canada, Health Canada, Public Safety Canada, the Community Drug Strategy for the City of Greater Sudbury, the Sudbury & District Health Unit, and the Greater Sudbury Police Service.

The Community Drug Strategy for the City of Greater Sudbury, supported by the Greater Sudbury Police Service and the Sudbury & District Health Unit, recognizes the commitment of local drug stores / pharmacies for their continued support of the National Prescription Drug Drop-Off Day.

"For the health and the safety of our communities, we encourage everyone to safely discard old, unused medication," said Dr. Sutcliffe, Medical Officer of Health, SDHU. "While prescription drugs are intended to restore and maintain health, they can lead to addiction, crime, financial burdens and injury when not used as prescribed."

Participating drug stores / pharmacies will assist in this year's initiative by collecting and disposing of expired, unwanted and unused prescribed medication that citizens may have in their homes. 35 pharmacies in the City of Greater Sudbury will be participating in this year's initiative.

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On Saturday, May 21, residents can simply go to any of the designated location(s) and anonymously drop off unwanted drugs. Police and medical officials urge you to do your part to combat this serious public health threat.

"Last year, the National Drug Drop-Off Day saw approximately 75 pounds of unused medications collected in the City of Greater Sudbury. That is a significant quantity of prescription medications that were removed from our streets! This year we are confident that we will match, if not surpass that amount. Be part of the safe storage and disposal of prescription, over the counter and other drugs. You can prevent these medications from falling into the wrong hands within our community and also protect the environment from the ills associated with the incorrect disposal of drugs into the garbage and sewer systems. Community safety and well-being is our collective responsibility," said Chief of Police Paul Pedersen.

Residents are further reminded that they can return any unwanted or outdated prescription medications to their local pharmacy for safe and secure disposal at any time.

Together we can create safer, healthier homes for our families.







The following pharmacies are participating in the National Prescription Drug Drop-off Day this year:

#### Sudbury

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Pharmacy	Location	Phone Number
Bancroft Rexall Drug Mart	1975 Bancroft Drive	705-560-1234
Healthcare Pharmacy	1276 Lasalle Boulevard	705-566-5551

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240 Regent Street	705-674-3339
1485 Bancroft Drive	705-524-2221
1813 Lasalle Boulevard	705-521-1811
82 Lorne Street	705-671-4721
1485 Lasalle Boulevard	705-521-1031
900 Lasalle Boulevard	705-560-1157
430 Notre Dame Avenue	705-675-5693
1935 Paris Street	705-522-2121
1122 Lasalle Boulevard	705-560-7788
117 Cedar Street	705-675-2471
848 Lasalle Boulevard	705-525-0120
401 Frood Road	705-673-6023
86 Elm Street	705-671-9230
1349 Lasalle Boulevard	705-566-9300
359 Riverside Drive	705-673-3731
2009 Long Lake Road,	705-523-1171
Suite 107	
2416 Long Lake Road	705-523-6287
1349 Lasalle Boulevard	705-523-5805
	1485 Bancroft Drive  1813 Lasalle Boulevard  82 Lorne Street  1485 Lasalle Boulevard  900 Lasalle Boulevard  430 Notre Dame Avenue  1935 Paris Street  1122 Lasalle Boulevard  117 Cedar Street  848 Lasalle Boulevard  401 Frood Road  86 Elm Street  1349 Lasalle Boulevard  359 Riverside Drive  2009 Long Lake Road, Suite 107  2416 Long Lake Road

## Walden/Lively

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Lively Pharmacy	605 Main Street	705-692-3214
Loblaw Pharmacy at	65 Regional Road	705-692-3310
Battistelli's Your		
Independent Grocer		
Walden Family Drugstore,	135 Regional Road 24	705-692-5868
Guardian Drugs	_	

### Chelmsford

Chelmsford Guardian	46 Main Street East	705-855-2371
Pharmacy		
I.D.A. Pharmacy	Regional Road 4, 3672 ON-	705-855-1454
	144	
Loblaw Pharmacy at	4764-17 Regional Road 15	705-855-8200
Chartrand's Your		
Independent Grocer		

### Azilda

Rexall Pharmacy	93 Notre Dame Street West	705-983-4211

#### Levack

Devaca			
Levack Pharmacy	2 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue North	705-966-3612	

## Val Caron/Valley East

Rexall Pharmacy	3080 Old Highway 69	705-897-4994
Valley East Pharmacy	3140 Highway 69 North	705-897-1867
Pharmasave at Valley East		
Mall		

### Hanmer

Loblaw Pharmacy at Neils'	5200 Highway 69 North	705-969-4971
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Your Independent Grocer		
Rexall Pharmacy	4446 Dennie Street	705-969-7250
Shoppers Drug Mart	5118 Highway 69 North	705-969-8000
Valley Plaza Pharmasave	5085 Highway 69 North	705-969-4409

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Nickel City Pharmasave	3098 Falconbridge	705-693-2738
Pharmacy	Highway	

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