



## SAFE MEDICATION DROP-OFF



### **The Safe Medication Drop-Off is now open for business!**

Bring your unwanted, unused, and expired prescription medications and over-the-counter medications to the San Clemente Police Station's Safe Medication Drop-off box. No appointment is needed. This service is safe, free, and anonymous. No questions will be asked, no forms to fill out, just bring your unwanted, unused and expired medications to San Clemente Police Services for safe and proper disposal. South Orange County has seen a dramatic increase in the illegal use of prescription drugs by high school and middle school students. Because these drugs are readily available, and as close as your medicine cabinet or grocery store aisle, our youth have an ample supply to use and abuse daily. With your help of properly ridding your homes of any unused or expired prescription medications, we can continue our efforts in fighting this problem together.

The drop-off box is located in the San Clemente Police Services office at 100 Ave. Presidio. The drop-off box is available Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am to 3:00pm.

NO syringes, medical waste, or hazardous waste. These items will NOT be accepted.

### **Other disposal options available in addition to the Medication Drop Box**

Please do NOT flush medications down the toilet or drain. Put them in the trash or bring them to National Drug Take Back Day.

Directions for Trash Disposal:

1. Add medications to an undesirable substance such as cat litter, used coffee grounds, or food waste.
2. Put the mixture into a sealed disposable container such as an empty margarine tub, sauce jar or Ziploc bag.
3. Place the sealed container in the trash.
4. Recycle empty plastic medicine bottles. Remember to black-out or remove any personal information, including Rx number.

### **“National Drug Take Back Day” Disposal**

Hosted two times per year by the Sheriffs Department.

Watch for the date and location typically advertised on the City's website ([www.san-clemente.org](http://www.san-clemente.org)) and in the local papers. For questions or more information, please call (949) 498-9436.