

## Why Should I Care?

Wastewater treatment plants are not capable of removing chemicals contained in medications from the wastewater.

Medications that are flushed or emptied in the sink eventually end up in the environment and have been shown to cause adverse effects in fish and other aquatic wildlife.

Children or pets may accidentally be exposed to medications if they are not properly and safely disposed.



### For More Information Contact:

Land & Water Conservation Division: (262) 335-4800  
Health Department: (262) 335-4470  
Sheriff's Department: (262) 365-5013

Visit Our Website –

[www.co.washington.wi.us/cleansweep](http://www.co.washington.wi.us/cleansweep)

## Collection Location



Washington County Highway Facility  
900 Lang St.,  
West Bend, WI 53090



**Clean Sweep Directions:**  
Travel EAST on Washington St.,  
or HWY 33, then,  
NORTH on North River Rd.,  
then,  
WEST on LANG ST. to 900 Lang Street.



Washington County

2011  
Waste Collections

## Pharmaceutical Clean Sweep

Saturdays:

May 21

October 15

8:00am - 12:00 (noon)

**NO Pre-Registration Required**

“A Prescription for  
Clean Water and Safe Kids”



*Never pour unused medicine down  
the drain or flush it down the toilet.*

## What Is A Pharmaceutical Clean Sweep?

It is an opportunity to properly dispose of expired and/or unused medications. All drugs will be collected by County Health Department staff and sorted by local pharmacists.

Federal Law requires that we immediately surrender controlled substances to law enforcement for disposal. Controlled substances are disposed of at a federally licensed incinerator.



By participating you can help to:

- protect Washington County's waterways
- prevent accidental poisonings
- reduce substance abuse

## Acceptable Waste

Prescription and over-the-counter medications including:

- Pills/Capsules
- Ointments/Creams
- Sprays
- Inhalers
- Vials
- Pet medications



## Unacceptable Waste

Please DO NOT bring:

- Illegal Drugs
- Biohazardous Material
- Needles/Sharps/Epi-Pens
- Personal Care Products (soap, lotion, sunscreen, etc.)
- Household Hazardous Waste
- Medical Equipment

Please see website for  
Disposal Waste Alternatives

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## Steps Involved

- Inspect your closets, cabinets and drawers and collect any unwanted medicines for proper disposal.
- If you locate unwanted medicines, leave them in their original containers. Do not mix them together.
- Cross off your name and address but do not cover up or remove the name of the medicine.



The Pharmaceutical Clean Sweep is  
FREE to all residents of  
Washington County.  
**NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**