



# Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal Program

## What is the Program?

The Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal Program is a collaborative effort between **local police departments**, the Franklin County Prevention Coalition, the Franklin County Health Council, Agricultural Extension Office,

Winchester Utilities and Duck River Membership Corporation. The purpose is to educate the public about the harm done to the environment and community due to the current prescription and non-prescription drug disposal practices and to provide them with an alternative way of disposal that ensures the quality of our water and control of prescription drugs on our streets for future generations.

## Role of the Police Department

- Individuals can take their unused and unwanted controlled substances to local participating police departments.
- The participating police departments have a secure drop box that individuals can place their substances in- no questions asked.
- The substance will be disposed of following proper police procedures.

## Why is the program important?

Many pharmaceuticals are getting past our waste water treatment plants and getting into our drinking water as well as making themselves readily available on the streets. This process of disposal will help to ensure safer drinking water and prevent prescription drug trafficking in our streets for future generations.

## Why should you participate?

- It is the proper way to dispose of medications
- It is a proven nationwide tested model
- Community cooperation
- Environmental stewardship
- Drug Abuse Prevention
- It's easy
- Because... It is the right thing to do!

**Disposal Boxes are located in all local police departments and  
The Franklin County Sheriff's Department**