

## D.U.M.P. BOX LOCATIONS

**Akron City Police Department**  
217 S High St., Akron, OH 44308

**Barberton City Police Department**  
576 W Park Ave., Barberton, OH 44203

**Bath Township Police Department**  
3864 W Bath Rd., Akron, OH 44333

**Copley Police Department**  
1280 Sunset Dr., Copley, OH 44321

**Cuyahoga Falls Police Department**  
2310 Second St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221

**Green - Sheriff Training Center**  
2825 Greensburg Rd., North Canton, OH 44720

**Hudson Police Department**  
36 South Oviatt St., Hudson, OH 44236

**Lakemore Police Department**  
1400 Main St., Suite B, Lakemore, OH 44250

**Macedonia Police Department**  
19691 Valley View Rd., Macedonia, OH 44056

**Munroe Falls Police Department**  
43 Munroe Falls Ave., Munroe Falls, OH 44262

**New Franklin Police Department**  
5611 Manchester Rd., Akron, OH 44319

**Norton Fire Department**  
3380 Greenwich Rd., Norton, OH 44203

**Richfield Police Department**  
4450 W Streetsboro Rd., Richfield, OH 44286

**Springfield Township Police Department**  
2465 Canfield Rd., Akron, OH 44312

**Stow Police Department**  
3800 Darrow Rd., Stow, OH 44224

**Summa Health System**

- 525 E Market Street, Akron, OH 44304  
Emergency Dept. Atrium (Forge & Fountain)
- 155 5th St. NE, Barberton, OH 44203  
Emergency Dept. Atrium (5th & E Tuscarawas)
- 825 Franks Pkwy., Uniontown, OH 44685

**Tallmadge Police Department**  
53 Northeast Ave., Tallmadge, OH 44278

**Twinsburg Police Department**  
10075 Ravenna Rd., Twinsburg, OH 44087

**Akron Children's Hospital\***

- Main Campus- 214 W. Bowery St., Akron, OH 44302
- Considine Bldg.- 215 W. Bowery St., Akron, OH 44302

\*These locations are not managed by SCPH.

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Interested in more information or have more questions about the D.U.M.P. program at Summit County Public Health?

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# What is **THE ISSUE ?**

Improper disposal of medicines presents both a public safety and environmental hazard.

## **PRESCRIPTION ABUSE**

Prescription drug abuse by teens is a serious problem in Ohio. An Ohio Department of Health report indicates that 26.5% of high school students have abused prescription drugs. Many teens think these drugs are safe because they have legitimate uses, but taking them without a prescription to get high or “self-medicate” can be as dangerous and addictive as using illegal street drugs.

Painkillers are the most common pharmaceutical abused by teens. Stimulant abuse is more common among older teens and college students than younger teens.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS**

Expired or unwanted medicines flushed down the toilet are reaching streams, lakes and our drinking water supplies. Some fish and amphibians that have been exposed to waters contaminated by medications show signs of developmental and reproductive problems.

Many medications pass through our sewage treatment plants and septic systems. Antibiotic residuals can be harmful to sewage treatment facilities.



## The D.U.M.P. Program

Summit County Public Health, in collaboration with local community partners, has established a pharmaceutical disposal program for residents to safely dispose of their unused medications. Simply take the unwanted medicine to one of the D.U.M.P. locations in the county and the medication will be safely destroyed, no questions asked.

### **KEEP IT SAFE**

Please follow these guidelines when disposing of prescription and over-the-counter medications;

- Keep the medicine in the original container
- Mark out your name and address
- Secure the container
- Deposit the medicines in the disposal boxes at participating locations.

## FAQ's

### **Why not flush meds down the toilet?**

Medications flushed down the toilet can end up in our water supply.

### **Is it okay for me to throw meds into my trash?**

Medications in the trash are an easy target for children and pets. These medications will end up in the landfills where they may leach indirectly into the water.

### **Where do I take my unwanted meds?**

Take them to a D.U.M.P. box at any of the locations listed on this brochure. For small quantities, drug deactivation pouches are available through The Deterra Project. Visit [cpsummit.org/prevention](http://cpsummit.org/prevention) for more info.

### **Does D.U.M.P take syringes or aerosols?**

No. These boxes are for pills, capsules or liquids only. Syringes and aerosols cannot be accepted at the D.U.M.P. boxes. For syringe disposal, please call 330-926-5600.