



# Selling Your Home?

## What You Need to Know About Prescription Medication Safety:

Prescription drug abuse is on the rise. Medications are generally obtained by taking them from others, typically without their knowledge.

***Approach securing your prescriptions the same way you would other valuables in your home, like jewelry or cash.***

### REMEMBER THESE MEDICATION SAFETY TIPS:

- \*SECURE**
- \*DISPOSAL**
- \*NO SHARING**

**Secure:** *It is important to keep all medication in a secure location such as:*

- An area that is not accessible to children or visitors, out of your bathroom medicine cabinet and kitchen cupboard. These are areas anyone entering your home has access to.
- A lock box or locked filing cabinet
- An inconspicuous/out of the way place such as a dresser drawer
- Take your medications and valuables with you during your home showings or open house. Use a plastic tote to put your medications and valuables in to take as you leave your home.

**Disposal:** *It is no longer acceptable to flush or throw away medication.*

- Now is a good time to go through your medications, (including pet medication) sort out your expired or no longer needed medications. Take them to your local disposal site.\*\*\*
- Studies show measurable amounts of medication have been found in drinking water and wildlife due to flushing or throwing away medications.
- Medication strength changes over time and is not typically safe after one year.
- Proper disposal removes the medication from your home in a safe way so others don't have access to it.

\*\*\*Use your local disposal days or drop off sites.

The Fond du Lac County 24/7 drug disposal site is at the  
Fond du Lac City Police Department - 126 N. Main St. (corner of Main and Rees St.)  
[www.drugfreefdl.com](http://www.drugfreefdl.com)

**No Sharing:** *It is illegal to share your prescription medication, even with a family member.*

- The medication was prescribed specifically for you and your body.
- You do not know how the drug may affect others physically or emotionally.
- It is a **criminal offense to share prescriptions.**


# Drug Drop Box

Open 24/7 - 365 days/year

- Anonymous
- Accepting medications [REDACTED]
- Drive up, drop off library-style drop box
- Safe, secure, better for our environment

**126 N. Main St.**  
In the Rees St. Parking Lot

The Fond du Lac County permanent drug drop box is a project of Leadership Fond du Lac, an Association of Commerce Program.



- The easiest place for youth and visitors to acquire drugs is in your medicine cabinet.
- Safely dispose of your unused or expired medication in designated Drug Drop receptacles only.
- Leave medication in the original package or prescription bottle.
- You CAN cross off the name and address, but DO NOT cover up the medication name.

**DROP:**

- Unused and/or expired medication
- Over the counter medication
- Prescription medication

**DO NOT DROP:**

- NO Sharps(needles, syringes, etc)**Sharps Disposal Information can be found at the website listed below under Drug Drop**
- NO Hazardous or chemical waste
- NO Lancets
- NO Mercury products
- NO Electronic glucose monitors
- NO Non-medical inhalers
- NO Commercial, business or long-term care deposits

*Supported by the  
Fond du Lac Police Department and  
Drug Free Communities Task Force of FDL County*

**Go to [www.drugfreefdl.com](http://www.drugfreefdl.com) for more information on the Drug Drop and other medication safety tips**

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