



## Medication Disposal Box now located in the lobby of the Northfield Police Department

### Why use this Disposal box?

Studies have shown that residential supplies of pharmaceutical controlled substances - those found in our home medicine cabinets - have become the supply of choice for young people and criminals. Many abusers, a high percentage of which are teens, are known to have obtained their controlled substances from the homes of family and friends. In addition, research has shown that our environment has been threatened by medications being flushed down toilets. Most controlled substances are created synthetically, and are not removed through normal water-treatment processes. This can result in the discharge of these substances into the environment and into our ground water supplies

### What can be disposed of inside the box?

- Prescriptions
- Prescription Patches
- Prescription Medications
- Prescription Ointments
- Over-the-Counter medications
- Vitamins
- Samples
- Medications for pets

### What cannot be disposed of inside the box?

- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Thermometers
- Needles
- Medication from Business or Clinics
- Lotions or Liquids
- Aerosol Cans

*(these items may be turned in to the Northfield Police Department, do not place in the Med-Return box)*