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## **DROP OFF UNUSED OR EXPIRED RX DRUGS AT THE SUMMIT COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER**

SUMMIT COUNTY, COLORADO – The Summit County Sheriff's office has installed a prescription drug collection box at the Summit County Justice Center. The collection box aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible location for the disposal of prescription drugs.

The purpose of the Rx drug collection box is to significantly reduce prescription drugs in homes that are no longer needed or expired. Oftentimes unused drugs become the target of misuse or theft. There are 35 prescription drug deaths in Colorado each month. Rx drugs are the number one substance of abuse for American teens and 42% of teens that abuse Rx drugs get them from their parent's medicine cabinets.

To help reduce and hopefully eliminate easily accessible prescription drugs the Rx collection box is available at the Summit County Justice Center. Any person can come by Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm to safely dispose of their unused prescription drugs. The Sheriff's Office is responsible for safe incineration of narcotic drugs. The address for the Summit County Justice Center is 501 North Park Avenue, Breckenridge, CO 80424. Items that will not be accepted are liquids, inhalers, or needles.

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