

# CVS/pharmacy and The Partnership For Drug-Free Kids Help Town of Brookfield Combat Drug Abuse and Safer Disposal of Unused Medication

## *The Town of Brookfield Police Department receives grant for Drug Collection Unit*

The Town of Brookfield Police Department announced today that it has been awarded a grant from CVS/pharmacy to install a Drug Collection Unit. The new Unit will be located at the Town of Brookfield Police Department, 655 N. Janacek Road, Brookfield and will provide residents with a safe and environmentally

responsible way to dispose of unwanted, unused or expired medication, including controlled substances.



Town of Brookfield's new Drug Collection Unit site is open to the public from the hours of 8:00am-4:00pm Monday–Friday at the Police Department and drugs can be dropped off with no questions asked. Town of Brookfield residents can also inquire about the Medication Disposal for Safer Communities Program at the toll free phone number 1-866-559-8830 or visit [www.cvs.com/safercommunities](http://www.cvs.com/safercommunities).

The new Unit is intended to reduce the amount of unneeded medicine in residents' homes and decrease prescription drug abuse, which has soared in recent years, especially among teenagers. More than 70 percent of teenagers say it is easy to get prescription drugs from their parents' medicine cabinets, according to a 2014 Partnership for Drug-Free Kids study.

The new Unit will also help Town of Brookfield prevent the contamination of local landfills and water supplies from unused medication.

“Safely disposing of unused medication is critical to protecting our children and our environment,” said Chief Chris Perket. The Town of Brookfield Police Department is proud to partner with CVS/pharmacy and we thank them for their commitment to help residents reduce the amount of unneeded medicine in our community.”