

## Homebound Options

If you have difficulty leaving your home due to mobility or health issues, please contact the Allegany County Office for the Aging at **585-268-9390** to schedule an appointment for an Allegany County Sheriff's Office Deputy to pick up your medications at your house.



**APPOINTMENTS are NECESSARY!**  
**NEVER**  
open your door for a stranger. Deputy must show proper identification.

For more information visit  
[www.ppacentral.org](http://www.ppacentral.org) or  
call (585) 593-1920.

## What Happens to the Pills?

When the pill boxes need to be emptied the Allegany County Sheriff's Office empties the boxes. The pills are weighed to keep a total of pharmaceuticals kept off our streets and to estimate the success of each pill drop location. Once the Sheriff's Office has collected an adequate amount of pills, they are transported to an incinerating location in Niagara Falls, New York. By incinerating the unused or unwanted pharmaceuticals it helps keep pharmaceuticals out of our water supplies.



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## Allegany County Pill Drop Locations



**Prevention Works!**

## Why Drop Off Prescription Pills?



### Nature

For years unused or unwanted medications have been disposed of down drains, which results

in them ending up in our local water supplies, rivers and lakes.

In 2002, a U.S. Geological Survey report showed that 80% of surface water samples taken nationwide contained one or more pharmaceutical or personal care product.

Studies by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have shown striking effects on aquatic life caused by high levels of medications in U.S. waterways.

Studies have shown significant levels of pharmaceuticals in people who eat large quantities of fish or seafood.

## Misuse and Abuse

Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are



alarmingly high—more Americans currently abuse prescription drugs than the number of those using cocaine, hallucinogens, and heroin combined, according to the 2009 National Survey on Drug Use and Health.

Studies show that teens who abuse prescription drugs often obtain them from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, many Americans do not know how to properly dispose of their unused medicine, often flushing them down the toilet or throwing them away – both potential safety and health hazards.

## Questions

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## Locations

**Alfred Pharmacy**  
36 Main Street, Alfred

**Alfred State University Police**  
**Theta Gamma House**  
10 Upper College Drive, Alfred

**Allegany County Sheriff's Office**  
4884 Route 19, Belmont

**Cuba Police Department**  
15 Water Street, Cuba

**Fillmore Pharmacy**  
10560 Route 19, Fillmore

**Friendship Pharmacy**  
9 West Main Street, Friendship

**Nicholson's Pharmacy**  
36 Schuyler Street, Belmont

**Jones Memorial Hospital**  
191 North Main Street, Wellsville

**Jones Memorial Medical Practice**  
120 First Street, Bolivar

**Wellsville Police Department**  
46 South Main Street, Wellsville