

SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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PRESIDING OFFICER GREGORY HOSTS PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK EVENT



Amityville, NY – Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory joined the Suffolk County Police Department, Amityville Police Department and Citizens Campaign for the Environment to host a prescription drug take-back event at Amityville Village Hall on Saturday, October 3, which brought in over 40 pounds of prescription pills.

"I would like to thank those who stopped by Amityville Village Hall to safely dispose of their medications," said Presiding Officer Gregory. "Events like the one today play a large role in preventing abuse and addiction, as well as keeping our drinking and surface waters safe from contaminants."

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For many years flushing was identified as the correct way to safely dispose of unused and expired pharmaceuticals, but recently pharmaceutical drugs have been identified as an emerging contaminant in our drinking and surface waters. Additionally, unused medications in the home create a public health and safety concern, as they may end up in the wrong hands.

If you missed this event, drop boxes are located in the lobby of the Amityville Police Department, as well as all seven Suffolk police precincts, for anonymous disposal of unused prescription pills.

Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory was joined by SCPD Officer Terrence Buckley at his prescription take-back event on Saturday, October 3 at Amityville Village Hall.

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