

# Guide to Home-Generated Sharps (needles) and Drug Disposal in Alameda County

Thanks to the County ordinances requiring manufacturer funded and operated takeback programs for drugs and sharps (needles) Alameda County has a robust and growing network of local pharmacies, police departments, hospitals and other sites that collect drugs and sharps as well as a free mail back program for sharps.

## Drugs:

Convenient self-service kiosks are currently located at 115 sites throughout the county that accept all prescription drugs in any dosage form (pills, liquids, creams, aerosols). Each site has a self-service kiosk near the pharmacy area or, for police departments and hospitals, in the lobby. Prefilled syringes and auto injectors with an integral or attached needle should be handled as a “Sharp.”

### **Prepare your drugs for disposal before arriving at the kiosk site:**

Protect your privacy by removing or obscuring any labels showing your personal information on drug containers or vials. You can pour all your pills into a Zip-lock bag no larger than 1 gallon in size, and recycle the vials and other containers in your home recycling. Liquids and creams should remain in their original containers and tightly closed to prevent leakage. Aerosols should have their protective caps affixed to prevent accidental discharge. Remove inhaler vials from the inhaler mechanism.

### **At the kiosk:**

Take care at the kiosk not to introduce too many materials into the kiosk drop-chute at one time. Check the kiosk chute after closing to ensure the drugs dropped into the kiosk. Federal law prevents anyone from reviewing or examining the drugs you wish to dispose, so place them in the kiosk yourself – do not accept any unsolicited assistance to do so.

## Sharps:

Sharps, syringes, needles, auto injectors, prefilled syringes with needle, and lancets should be in a sealed FDA-cleared Sharps container. Sharps containers are available in most drug stores and from mail order & internet e-commerce sources. Kiosks in pharmacies, Hospitals and Police Departments can accept Sharps containers up to 1 gallon in size. Larger sharps containers need to be brought to one of the 4 county Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facilities.

### **Free Mail-back containers:**

MED-Project mail-back containers mailed directly to your home are available by calling 1-844-633-7765 or visiting <https://med-project.org/locations/alameda/mail-back> to fill out an on-line order form.

Novo Nordisk also has a free Mail-back container service for their customers. Call 1-877-438-0564 or on the web at <https://www.novocare.com/content/novocare/en/psp/safe-needles-program-container.html>

Inmar mail-back containers mailed directly to your home are available by calling 1-866-440-6917 or visiting <https://safemedicinedrop.com/locations/alameda-california/mail-back-request/> to fill out an on-line order form.

See the list on the next page – All sites take drugs. Sites that say (Sharps Accepted) take sharps in sharps containers up to one gallon in size. The Household Hazardous waste facilities take larger sharps containers and are the solution for residents who have large quantities or do not have sharps containers.

# Medication Drop-Off Locations near Oakland, Berkeley, Emeryville, Alameda & Piedmont

Berkeley Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

## ALAMEDA

### [Alameda Hospital](#) (Sharps accepted)

2070 Clinton Avenue  
Alameda  
Mon-Fri 8am-6pm; Sat-Sun 8am-4pm

### [Alameda Police Department](#)

1555 Oak Street (Lobby)  
Alameda (open 24-hours a day)

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

885 Island Drive  
Alameda 8am-9pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

931 Marina Village Parkway  
Alameda 8am-10pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

2314 Santa Clara Avenue  
Alameda 8am-11pm

### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy #101](#)

2417 Central Avenue  
Alameda, Mon-Fri. 8:30am-5:15pm

### [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

867 ISLAND Dr.  
Alameda, CA  
(510) 747-1647 M-F 9am-1pm, 1:45pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

### [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

2227 SOUTH SHORE CENTER  
Alameda, CA  
(510) 863-9004 M-F 9am-1pm, 1:45pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

### [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

2600 5TH ST.  
Alameda, CA  
(510) 523-1827 M-F 9am-1:15pm, 2pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

### [Walmart's Pharmacy](#)

2300 Otis Drive  
Alameda (open 24-hours a day)

### [Walgreens](#)

1916 Webster St.  
Alameda, CA  
(510) 864-2800 8am-9pm daily

## ALBANY

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps only)

1382 Solano Avenue  
Albany, CA  
(510) 559-3414

## BERKELEY

### [Berkeley Police Department](#) (Sharps accepted)

2100 Martin Luther King Jr. Way

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

2655 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley 9am-8pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

1451 Shattuck Avenue  
Berkeley 8am-9pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

2300 Shattuck Avenue  
Berkeley 9am-8pm daily

### [Kaiser Berkeley MOB](#)

2621 Tenth Street  
Berkeley, CA  
510-898-4200 Mon-Fri 8:30 am-5 pm

### [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

1444 SHATTUCK PL.  
Berkeley, CA  
(510) 542-M-F 9am-1:15, 2pm-7pm Sat-Sun  
9am-5pm

### [United Pharmacy](#)

2929 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley Mon-Fri 9am-6pm; Sat 9am-2pm

### [UC Health Services](#) (Sharps accepted)

2222 Bancroft Ave Room 1115  
Berkeley Mon-Fri 8:30am-6pm; Sat 9:30am-5pm; Sun 11am-3pm

### [Walgreens](#)

1050 Gilman St.  
Berkeley, CA  
(510) 528-8274 9am-6pm daily

### [Walgreens](#)

2190 Shattuck Ave  
Berkeley 9am-7pm

### [Walgreens](#) (Sharps Only)

2801 Adeline St.  
Berkeley 8am-9pm daily

## EMERYVILLE

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

4349 San Pablo Avenue  
Emeryville 9am-9pm daily

### [Emeryville Police Department](#)

2449 Powell Street  
Emeryville Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

## OAKLAND

### [Access Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

2693 Fruitvale Ave.  
Oakland, CA  
510-530-3156 Mon-Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 10am-2pm

### [APEB](#) (Sharps collection, ONLY)

8400 Enterprise Way.  
Oakland, CA

### [Bay Area Rapid Transit \(BART\) Police Department](#)

101 8th Street  
Oakland Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

175 41st Street  
Oakland 8am-10pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

7200 Bancroft Avenue  
Oakland 8am-8pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

2964 Broadway  
Oakland 8am-9pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

3320 Fruitvale Avenue  
Oakland, 8am-10pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

4100 Redwood Road  
Oakland 9am-7pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

344 Thomas L. Berkeley Way  
Oakland, 8:30am-6pm daily

### [Highland Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

1411 East 31st Street  
Oakland Mon-Sat 8am-6pm

### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy Fabiola 1 #115](#)

3801 Howe Street 1st Floor  
Oakland Mon-Fri 8am-7pm

### [Kaiser Permanente Pediatric Pharmacy #118](#)

3505 Broadway  
Oakland Mon-Fri 8:30am-1pm; 2-4:30pm

### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy #102](#)

3701 Broadway, 1st Floor  
Oakland  
Mon-Fri 8:30am-7:30pm; Sat-Sun 9am-6pm

### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy #105](#)

3600 Broadway, 1st Floor  
Oakland Mon-Fri 8am-8pm; Sat-Sun 9am-6pm

### [Native American Health Center](#) (Sharps collection, ONLY)

2950 International Blvd.  
Oakland, CA 94601  
(510) 535- 4400 Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

### [New Oakland Pharmacy #1](#) (Sharps accepted)

333 9th Street  
Oakland Mon-Fri 9am-1pm; 2-5:30pm

### [New Oakland Pharmacy #2](#) (Sharps accepted)

388 9th Street #108  
Oakland  
Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm; Sat 9:30am-1:30pm

# Medication Drop-Off Locations near San Leandro/Lorenzo, Hayward, Castro Valley

## [New Oakland Pharmacy – Lake Merritt](#) (Sharps accepted)

250 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oakland Mon-Fri 9am-1pm; 1:30-5:30pm

## [Walgreens](#) (Sharps accepted)

3434 High Street 8am -9PM  
Oakland CA 94619

## [Rite Aid](#)

1991 Mountain Blvd 8am-10pm M-F 10-6 S-S  
Oakland CA 94611

## [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

6310 COLLEGE AVE.  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 985-0017 M-F 9am-1:15pm, 2pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

## [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

5100 BROADWAY  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 285-0790 M-F 9am-1:15pm, 2pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

## [Walgreen's Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

3434 High Street  
Oakland, CA  
510-261-1984 7am–12 midnight daily

## [Walgreens](#)

3250 Lakeshore Ave.  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 271-0843 9am-9pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

1333 Broadway  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 832-2694 9am-6pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

5809 Foothill Blvd.  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 564-0404 8am-6pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

310 East 18th St.  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 271-0103 9am-6pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

3232 Foothill Blvd.  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 261-4552 M-F 8am-9pm, Sat-Sun 9am-6pm

## [Walgreens](#)

5055 Telegraph Ave.  
Oakland, CA  
(510) 595-3605 9am-6pm daily

## [Wellspring Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

4184C Piedmont Avenue  
Oakland Mon-Fri 10am-7pm

## PIEDMONT

## [Piedmont Police Department](#) (Sharps accepted)

403 Highland Avenue  
Piedmont (open 24-hours a day)

## SAN LEANDRO

## [Alameda County Sheriff's Office](#)

15001 Foothill Boulevard  
San Leandro Mon-Fri: 7-5pm

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

1550 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Leandro 8am-9pm daily

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

14869 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Leandro 9am-8pm daily

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

699 Lewelling Boulevard  
San Leandro 8am-10pm daily

## [San Leandro Hospital](#)

1401 Washington Avenue  
San Leandro Mon-Fri 8am-9pm; Sat-Sun 8:30am-8pm

## [Walgreen's Pharmacy](#)

15500 Washington Avenue  
San Leandro (open 24-hours a day)

## [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)

1355 MacArthur Blvd Mon-Fri 8am-6pm  
San Leandro Sat-Sun 10am-6pm

# Sharps Only

## Household Hazardous Waste Facilities

**Oakland HHW facility**  
**2100 E 7th Street Oakland 94606**  
**Wed-Fri 9-2:30 Sat 9-4**

## CASTRO VALLEY

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

3667 Castro Valley Boulevard  
Castro Valley 8am-9pm

## [Eden Medical Center](#)

20103 Lake Chabot Road Castro Valley  
Lobby open 24 hours

## [Rite Aid Pharmacy Pharmacy](#)

3848 Castro Valley Blvd Mon-Fri 9am-9pm  
Castro Valley, CA Sat-Sun 10am-6pm

## [Walgreens](#) (Sharps Only)

3382 Castro Valley Blvd.  
Castro Valley 8am–9pm M-F, 9am-6pm Sat-Sun

## HAYWARD

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

22501 Foothill Boulevard  
Hayward 9am-8pm daily

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

26059 Mission Boulevard  
Hayward 8am-9pm daily

## [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

243 West Jackson Street  
Hayward 9am-8pm daily

## [Mission Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

22138 Mission Blvd.  
Hayward Mon-Fri 9am-1pm; 2-5:30pm

## [Teds Drugs](#) (Sharps accepted)

27453 Hesperian Boulevard  
Hayward Mon-Fri 9:30am-6pm

## [Tennyson Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

589 W. Tennyson Road  
Hayward Mon-Fri 9am-7pm;

## [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)

31091 Mission Blvd Mon-Fri 9am-9pm  
Hayward Sat-Sun 10am-6pm

## [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

22280 FOOTHILL Blvd.  
Hayward, CA  
(510) 582-5706 M-F 9am-1:15pm, 2pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

## [CSU East Bay Pharmacy](#)

28500 Carlos Bee Blvd  
Hayward

## [Walgreens](#)

164 W Jackson St.  
Hayward, CA  
(510) 781-0900 9am-6pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

23958 Hesperian Blvd.  
Hayward, CA  
(510) 786-9174 10am-6pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

21463 Foothill Blvd.  
Hayward, CA  
(510) 538-2745 10am-6pm daily

## [Walgreens](#)

1138 W Tennyson Rd.  
Hayward, CA  
(510) 293-9031 8am-9pm daily

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## Household Hazardous Waste Facilities

**Hayward HW facility**  
**2091 W Winton Ave Hayward 94545**  
**Thurs & Fri 9-2:30 Sat 9-4**

Visit [Stopwaste.org](http://Stopwaste.org) or 800-606-6606  
for more information.

#### **SAN LEANDRO**

##### [Alameda County Sheriff's Office](#)

15001 Foothill Boulevard  
San Leandro Mon-Fri: 7-5pm

##### [CVS Pharmacy](#) **(Sharps accepted)**

1550 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Leandro 8am-9pm daily

##### [CVS Pharmacy](#) **(Sharps accepted)**

14869 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Leandro 9am-8pm daily

##### [CVS Pharmacy](#) **(Sharps accepted)**

699 Lewelling Boulevard  
San Leandro 8am-10pm daily

##### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

1401 Washington Ave  
San Leandro 8am-10pm daily

##### [Kaiser Permanente Discharge Pharmacy #923](#)

2500 Merced St.  
San Leandro, CA  
510-454-6960 Mon-Fri 8am-8:30pm;  
Sat-Sun 8 am-7pm

##### [San Leandro Senior Community Center](#) **(Sharps collection, ONLY)**

13909 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Leandro, CA  
(510) 577-3462 Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm

##### [San Leandro Hospital](#) **(Sharps accepted)**

13855 E14th St  
San Leandro Mon-Fri 8am-9pm;  
Sat-Sun 8:30am-8pm

##### [Walgreen's Pharmacy](#)

15500 Washington Avenue  
San Leandro (open 24-hours a day)

##### [Walgreens](#)

1456 136th Ave.  
San Leandro, CA  
(510) 618-1504 9am-6pm daily

##### [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)

1355 MacArthur Blvd Mon-Fri 8am-6pm  
San Leandro Sat-Sun 10am-6pm

# Medication Drop-Off Locations near Fremont, Union City and Newark

## FREMONT

### [Capsule Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

2557 Mowry Avenue Ste. 11  
Fremont Mon-Fri 9am-6:30pm

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

2000 Driscoll Road  
Fremont 9am-8pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

4020 Fremont Boulevard  
Fremont (Open 24-hours a day)

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

35720 Fremont Boulevard  
Fremont 9am-9pm daily

### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

46445 Mission Boulevard  
Fremont 8am-9pm daily

### [Haller's Pharmacy and Medical Supply](#)

#### (Sharps accepted)

37323 Fremont Boulevard  
Fremont  
Mon-Fri 9am-7pm; Sat 9am-5pm; Sun 10am-5pm

### [Jade Pharmacy](#)

34460 Fremont Boulevard, Ste. B  
Fremont Mon-Fri 9:30am-6pm

### [Kaiser Permanente Ohlone Pharmacy #162](#)

39400 Paseo Padre Parkway  
Fremont Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

### [Mowry Medical Pharmacy](#)

1999 Mowry Avenue, Ste. 2A  
Fremont Mon-Thu 9am-6pm; Sat 10am-1pm

### [Walgreens](#)

41400 Blacow Rd.  
Fremont, CA  
(510) 440-8195 10am-5:30pm daily

### [Walgreens](#)

2600 Mowry Rd.  
Fremont, CA  
(510) 742-9356 9am-9pm daily

### [Walgreens](#)

3860 Decoto Rd.  
Fremont, CA  
(510) 793-9788 8am-10pm daily

### [Washington Hospital Health System](#)

2000 Mowry Avenue, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Lobby  
Fremont (open 24-hours a day)

## Fremont HHW facility

41149 Boyce Road Fremont 94538

Wed-Fri 9-2:30 Sat 9-4

Visit [Stopwaste.org](http://Stopwaste.org) or 800-606-6606  
for more information.

## NEWARK

### [Clover Pharmacy & Wellness](#)

6170 Thornton Ave. Suite E  
Newark 10am-6pm M-F

### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

35080 Newark Boulevard  
Newark 8am-9pm daily

### [Newark Police Department](#)

37101 Newark Boulevard  
Newark (open 24-hours a day)

### [TIB Pharmacy](#)

7999 Gateway Blvd., Suite 110  
Newark, CA  
(510) 573-0064 M-F 9:30am-6pm, Sat-Sun  
11am-2pm

# Sharps Only

Household Hazardous Waste  
Facilities

**UNION CITY****[Kaiser Permanente Main Pharmacy #132](#)**

3553 Whipple Road

Union City Mon-Fri 8:30-6:30pm

**[Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)**

31836 Alvarado Blvd.

Union City, CA

(510) 489-3955 M-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun

7am-10pm

**[Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)**

1650 Decoto Rd.

Union City, CA

(510) 429-0195 7am-10pm daily

**[Safeway Pharmacy](#)**

1790 DECOTO Rd.

Union City, CA

(510) 429-9093 M-F 9am-1pm, 1:45pm-8pm

Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

**[Union City Police Department](#)**

34009 Alvarado Niles Road

Union City, CA 24 hours

## Medication Drop-Off Locations in the Tri Valley area Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin

### DUBLIN

#### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

7201 Regional Street  
Dublin 10am-7pm daily

#### [Dublin Police Department](#)

100 Civic Plaza  
Dublin Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

#### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy #061](#)

3100 Dublin Blvd (Sharps Accepted)  
Dublin, CA 94568 8:30am-10pm 7 days /week

#### [Walgreen's Pharmacy](#)

1763 Santa Rita Rd.  
Pleasanton, CA  
(925) 426-1562 8am-9pm M-F, 9am-6pm Sat-Sun

### LIVERMORE

#### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

1500 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
Livermore 9am-9pm daily

#### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

4405 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
Livermore 9am-8pm daily

#### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy #241](#)

(Sharps accepted)  
3000 Las Positas Road  
Livermore Mon-Fri 8:45am-6pm

#### [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)

968 Murrieta Blvd Mon-Fri 9am-9pm  
Livermore Sat Sun 10am-6pm

#### [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)

1350 N Vasco Rd Mon-Fri 9am-9pm  
Livermore Sat Sun 10am-6pm

#### [Walgreens](#)

1620 First St.  
Livermore, CA  
(925) 724-0131 M-F: 9am-7pm; Sat-Sun 9am-6pm

### PLEASANTON

#### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

3010 Bernal Avenue  
Pleasanton 9am-9pm daily

#### [CVS Pharmacy](#) (Sharps accepted)

6750 Bernal Avenue  
Pleasanton 8am-10pm daily

#### [CVS Pharmacy](#)

3999 Santa Rita Road  
Pleasanton 8am-9pm daily

#### [Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy South 1 #471](#)

(Sharps accepted)  
7601 Stoneridge Drive  
Pleasanton  
Mon-Fri 8:30am-8:30pm; Sat 8:30am-4pm

#### [Pleasanton Police Department](#)

4833 Bernal Avenue  
Pleasanton (open 24-hours a day)

#### [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)

2819 Hopyard Rd Mon-Fri 9am-9pm  
Pleasanton Sat Sun 10am-6pm

#### [Safeway Pharmacy](#)

6790 BERNAL Ave.  
Pleasanton, CA  
(925) 484-1960 M-F 9am-1:15pm, 2pm-8pm  
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

## Sharps Only

### Household Hazardous Waste Facilities

#### Livermore HHW facility

5584 La Ribera St Livermore 94550  
Thurs & Fri 9-2:30 Sat 9-4

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for more information.