

Supervisor Lesko, Councilwoman Bonner Host "Shed the Meds" Pharmaceutical Take-Back Program in Mount Sinai and Ridge

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Event encourages residents to drop off unused prescription medications.



Pictured from left to right at Rose Caracappa Senior Center are Councilwoman Jane Bonner; Suffolk County Sheriff's Officers Beth Kelly and Ron Saager; and two residents from the 2nd Council District.



Councilwoman Bonner (center) with Sheriff's Officers Karen Keating (left) and Karen Keller (right) at Leisure Village.

Farmingville, NY - Town of Brookhaven recently hosted two "Shed the Meds" Pharmaceutical Take-Back program events with the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office at the Rose Caracappa Senior Center in Mount Sinai (June 9) and Leisure Village in Ridge (June 13). Residents stopped by to drop off unused prescription medications, which were then disposed of in an environmentally safe manner by the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office. Pharmaceutical products that are not disposed of properly can contaminate drinking water and pose the risk of misuse.

"With the dangers that unused pharmaceutical products pose, it is encouraging to see so many of our residents come out and dispose of their old medications in a safe way. I thank Councilwoman Bonner and Sheriff Vincent DeMarco for organizing this great event," said Supervisor Mark Lesko.

Councilwoman Bonner said, "The 'Shed the Meds' event was a resounding success thanks to the cooperation between the Town, the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office, and the residents who stopped by to get rid of these dangerous medications. Not only did we prevent these controlled substances from causing harm to our residents, but we also raised awareness about the dangers that these products pose when misused."

For more information, please contact Councilwoman Jane Bonner's Office at 631-451-6964 or the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office at 631-852-3436.

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