TULSA AREA
HOUSEHOLD MEDICATION DISPOSAL SITES

Police, Sheriff & Jail Collection Sites
The Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (OBNDD) www.ok.gov/obndd has developed a “Safe Trips for Scripts” disposal sites across Oklahoma. The OBNNDD supplies the boxes and arranges collection of the medications for disposal. The disposal process is anonymous. Simply deposit the drug items into the designated container, similar to an outdoor mail drop box. For nearest locations, click on https://portal.obn.ok.gov/takeback/default.aspx

IMPORTANT: DO NOT BRING SYRINGES, INHALERS OR ILLEGAL DRUGS TO THESE DROP-OFF SITES. THE CONTAINERS ARE FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY; NOT FOR BUSINESSES SUCH AS HOSPITALS, DOCTOR’S OFFICES OR PHARMACIES.

Tulsa Police Gilcrease Division
3436 N Delaware Ave, Tulsa, OK 74110
(918) 591-4100 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. M - F

Tulsa Police Mingo Valley Division
10122 E 11th St, Tulsa, OK 74128
(918) 669-6000 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. M - F

Tulsa Police Riverside Division
7515 S Riverside Dr, Tulsa, Ok 74136
(918) 596-1100 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. M - F

Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office, Faulkner Building
303 W 1st St., Tulsa, OK 74103
(918) 596-5701 8 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. M - F

Image of Drop-Off Container

OTHER SURROUNDING LOCATIONS:

Broken Arrow Police Dept
1101 North 6th Street (enter of 71st)
(918) 451-8213 8-5 M-F

Bixby Police Dept
116 West Needles, Bixby
(918) 366-8294 24 hrs/day

Sapulpa Police Dept
20 N Walnut, Sapulpa
(918) 227-5100 24 hrs/day

Owasso Police Dept
111 N Main, Owasso
(918) 272-2244 M-F 8-5

Collinsville Police Dept
1023 W Center St, Collinsville
(918) 371-1000 24 hrs/day

Mannford Police Dept
300 Coonrod Dr, Mannford
(918) 865-2358 24 hrs/day

Claremore Police Department
201 S Cherokee, Claremore
(918) 266-2424

Jenks Police Department
211 North Elm Street, Jenks
(918) 299-6311 24 hrs/day

Sand Springs Police Dept
100 E Broadway, Sand Springs
(918) 245-8777 8-6 M-F

Glenpool Police Dept
14536 S Elwood, Glenpool
(918) 322-8110 24 hrs/day

Skiatook Police Dept
220 S Broadway, Skiatook
(918) 396-2424 24 hrs/day

DO NOT “FLUSH” ANY MEDICATIONS OVER PLEASE

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OTHER OPTIONS FOR MEDICATION DISPOSAL:

Metropolitan Environmental Trust (MET) No longer accepts unused prescription medications. www.metrecycle.com (918) 584-0584. The MET website advice is “Medications may be taken to any local police department or sheriff’s office where a locked drop box is located and the medications will be disposed of properly.”

U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback The DEA promotes a “Take Back Day” program twice a year, spring and fall. Several sites are available. Watch for announcements in the media, check their web site.

Disposal through City of Tulsa residential trash service: Residential trash collected by the city of is burried at the Covanta trash to energy plant. You can easily dispose of non-dangerous medications by placing them in an inconspicuous container, secretly mix in an inedible substance like plaster of paris, used coffee grounds or kitty litter, then place the container in your curbside trash for disposal.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

How do I protect my identity? If you are concerned, pour the pills, capsules, tablets, liquids into an unmarked plastic sealable bag. Seal it completely (no leaking) and transport to collection site. Throw the empty vials and bottles into your trash. If you wish to prevent someone from reading the label, spray paint over the information or use a permanent ink wide felt tip marking pen to cover the letters and numbers.

Why can’t I donate my unneeded medicines to a charity clinic? Your medicines may have exceeded the expiration date printed on the label, therefore possibly not effective and/or safe by pharmacists; medicines should be stored at certain temperatures, humidity, and light levels to prevent changes in the chemicals; and it is possible that someone has tampered with your containers. These possible conditions suggest that the best option is to properly destroy them and not use them.

Why should I take my unneeded medicines to a proper disposal site? Unfortunately, legal medicines in household medicine cabinets have become poisons which by accident or by choice are dangerous to infants, children, adults and the elderly. Accidental ingestion, over dosage, improper use and abuse are commonly treated in emergency rooms and the number of deaths in Oklahoma from prescription medications in rising. Store your medications in a safe and secure location that makes the drug more difficult to obtain. Disposal by flushing or burying in landfills in our eco-system is increasing pollution to unhealthy levels. Our Tulsa disposal programs are safe, legal and are effectively reducing the possibility of improper use and removing large quantities of medications from our environment.

Did you know that you don’t have to fill an entire prescription? Ask your pharmacist to fill part of the prescription. Then, you won’t have to deal with disposing of unused medications later.

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Covanta Tulsa

The Covanta Tulsa Energy-from-Waste Facility, formally known as the Walter B. Hall Resource Recovery Facility, was Covanta's first Energy from Waste (EfW) project, commencing operation in October 1986 with two boilers and a single turbine generator. A third boiler was later added to meet growing demands in the Tulsa area. Operating
as Covanta Tulsa Renewable Energy, LLC, the 22-acre facility processes 1,125 tons-per-day of solid waste, generating up to 298,000 pounds per hour of steam. The steam is used to power a turbine generator that produces 16.8 megawatts of clean, renewable energy that is sold to Public Service Company of Oklahoma. However, on a more regular basis, the steam is sold to Holly Frontier, Inc., an independent refinery adjacent to the facility. The steam is used in their refining process, which offsets the need to use fossil fuels to generate their own steam.

Commercial Operation:

October 1986

Waste Processing Capacity:

1,125 tons-per-day

Air Pollution Control Equipment:

Aqueous ammonia injection, activated carbon injection with lime slurry injection, followed by fabric filter baghouse for fly ash collection

Energy-from-Waste System:

Two 375 ton-per-day Martin GmbH combustion units with inclined, reciprocating grates, and one 375 ton-per-day Covanta gasification system, also using an inclined, reciprocating grate supplied by Sanfeng Covanta. All three units have water wall furnaces.

Energy Generation:

16.8 megawatts of electricity

Awards and Recognition:
• 2013 SWANA Bronze Excellence Award
• National Safety Council’s Occupational Excellence Award 2017
• Distinguished PSO Peak Performers Award 2015
• Keep Oklahoma Beautiful Towering Spirit Award 2014 & 2015
• Henry Bellmon Sustainability Award 2012

Community Initiatives

Rx4Safety

Through their Rx4Safety and “Safe Trip for Scripts” partnership programs, Covanta Tulsa and the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics have successfully removed and destroyed over 85,000 pounds of prescription drugs and medications. This partnership helps protect rivers and streams from contamination, and is the safest, most environmentally sound method of keeping prescription drugs out of the hands of our youth and off the illegal black market, literally saving lives each day.

Mercury Collection

Covanta Tulsa, Locke Supply, and the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) have partnered on an initiative that invites citizens and contractors to responsibly recycle mercury by delivering intact, old thermostats to any Locke Supply location for recycling free of charge. Most recently, the collaboration was awarded Keep Oklahoma Beautiful’s “Towerling Spirit” award, which recognizes efforts that have gained far-reaching impact in the community.

Tulsa Beautification Foundation
Through the facility’s sponsorship of the Tulsa Beautification Foundation, Covanta Tulsa partners with local organizations such as Eugene Field Growing Together and Oklahoma City Public Schools to help clean up areas around schools and parks.

Covanta Tulsa

2122 S. Yukon Ave
Tulsa, OK  74107

DIRECTIONS
(HTTPS://WWW.GOOGLE.COM/MAPS/PLACE/COVANTA+WBH+LLC/@36.1321732,-96.0198463,1238M/DATA=!3M!1E3!4M2!3M!1S0X87B6

Contact

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Visit Our Facility!

If you would like an escorted tour of our facility, please reach out. We welcome the opportunity to show you how our resource recovery process works.

Click here for tour checklist (PDF)
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All tours must be scheduled in advance. Please contact the Facility Administration at 918-699-0011 or email mnewman@covanta.com (mailto:mnewman@covanta.com).

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