

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

# Town offers pollutant disposal site on Nov. 7

Town of North Hempstead officials are urging residents to clean out their garages, basements, attics and medicine chests, and take advantage of the last enhanced S.T.O.P. (Stop Throwing Out Pollutants) program scheduled to take place on Sunday, Nov. 8 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at North Hempstead Beach Park North Lot, located at 175 West Shore Road in Port Washington.

Residents can return items such as aerosols, household chemicals, pesticides, disinfectants, fertilizers, pharmaceuticals, bulbs, thermostats, rechargeable and lithium batteries, TV's, and computers. Please bring oil-based paints only. Latex and water-based paints will not be accepted at the S.T.O.P. collection site.

Once dried out (usually 24-36 hours after the lid is removed), those paints can be placed in a trash bag and thrown out with your regular household garbage. Oil-based paints, on the other hand, are considered hazardous, and will be accepted at any S.T.O.P. Collection Day program.

The Town of North Hempstead is proud to have been the



Town Supervisor Judi Bosworth with members of the Nassau County Police Department at a recent S.T.O.P. event as they collect unused pharmaceuticals.

first town in Nassau County to offer Pharmaceutical Collections, and residents have the opportunity to dispose of their unwanted or unused pharmaceuticals at each S.T.O.P. Event. In seven years, the Town has diverted more than seven tons of

unwanted drugs from landfills and protected our drinking water. In addition to protecting the environment, the program prevents dangerous pharmaceuticals from getting into the wrong hands.

During the November 8th

S.T.O.P. event, North Hempstead residents can also safely shred and dispose of personal documents, thereby minimizing the opportunity for identity theft, while at the same time making an invaluable contribution to the protection of the environment.

Residents are invited to shred any personal paper documents and credit cards free of charge.

Any commercial business documents including home offices will not be accepted. Residents are reminded there is a limit of six "Bankers Box" sized boxes or bags of paper per car, per event. Once the documents are shredded, they will be placed into containers and sent directly to pulping mills. Every 2,000 pounds of paper the Town recycles equates to 17 trees saved.

The Town of North Hempstead is proud to once again partner with Big Brothers Big Sisters to have a truck at the Nov. 8 S.T.O.P. event. Big Brothers Big Sisters will be accepting gently used and working clothes, stuffed animals, electronics, toys, sporting equipment, shoes, books, small area rugs, bikes, scooters, luggage, picture frames, table lamps, bolts of fabric, silverware, glassware, dishes, and cosmetics. Each resident will receive a receipt for their donation for income tax purposes.

For more information on the S.T.O.P. program, please call 311 or e-mail [recycle@northhempsteadny.gov](mailto:recycle@northhempsteadny.gov).

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