



Medication Education & Disposal

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## MED-PROJECT RECEIVES APPROVAL FROM CALRECYCLE OF FIRST ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSION

The Medication Education & Disposal Project (MED-Project USA), a non-profit organization that provides statewide medication and sharps take-back programs, received approval of its first [annual report](#) on August 16, 2022.

MED-Project's program for medicine disposal began operations under the authority of the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) on December 9, 2021. As noted in the annual report, by the end of 2021, 291 sites joined the MED-Project program with the installation of secure medicine collection bins, primarily at local pharmacies. To date, MED-Project has placed secure medicine collection bins at over 900 sites throughout the state, achieving its stated goal of ensuring 90% of California residents are within a 15-mile drive of a collection site.

This free statewide program helps California residents dispose of medication safely and conveniently. MED-Project's outreach to consumers is ongoing and focused on the appropriate use, safe storage, and secure disposal of medication.

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### **About MED-Project USA**

MED-Project USA is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization that develops, implements and operates safe, effective and compliant programs for the disposal of household medicine and sharps in adherence with state and local legislation. MED-Project works with national and local chain pharmacies, local pharmacies, law enforcement agencies, and community-based organizations to educate residents and those who care for them on the proper use, storage, and disposal of household medicine and sharps. *To learn more, visit [med-projectusa.org](http://med-projectusa.org)*