## **Entry Summary**

## Prescription Drug Taskforce

A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP OF THE WESTERN VIRGINIA WATER AUTHORITY, THE ROANOKE AREA YOUTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE COALITION (RAYSAC), LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND MANY OTHERS

After survey data highlighted the problems associated with prescription drug abuse and improper disposal, RAYSAC and the Western Virginia Water Authority formed a partnership to address the environmental and health risks involved in the improper disposal and misuse of prescription drugs. A community based Task Force, comprised of local law enforcement agencies, environmental agencies, health care, youth serving agencies and concerned community members was formed to increase awareness of these problems. The Task Force publicized community-wide drug take back events, created a Facebook challenge for teens and brought the media onboard to educate the community about the proper disposal and storage of prescription medications.



Turn in your unused or expired medications for safe disposal.



Proper Disposal and Storage of Prescription Medications
Protects our Environment and Our Children

A community partnership of the Western Virginia Water Authority and RAYSAC

