



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Phillips To Hold “Shed The Meds” Program In Manhasset

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Residents Invited to Safely Dispose of Expired or Unwanted Medications on September 15

Senator Elaine Phillips in partnership with the Manhasset Community Coalition Against Substance Abuse (CASA) and the Nassau County Police Department, will once again be sponsoring a “Shed the Meds” program to help residents safely dispose of unused or expired medications.

“Families on Long Island and across New York State, are struggling with the devastation and heartbreak caused by our heroin and opioid crisis. Events such as this not only help prevent

dangerous prescription medications from being abused, but provide another tool in the collaborative fight to end this epidemic. Additionally, increasing proper disposal methods will also protect our environment by curbing the amount of medication flushed into our sole-source of drinking water,” said Senator Phillips.

The “Shed the Meds” program will be held on Saturday, September 15 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at Shelter Rock Elementary School located at 27A Shelter Rock Road in Manhasset.

Participating in the program is easy; residents will be able to drive up, drop off their old or unused medications, and drive away. Residents can bring any type of medication for disposal, however needles cannot be accepted. All collected medication will be safely disposed of by officers from the Nassau County Police Department who will be supervising the program.

Senator Phillip’s previous Shed the Meds events have collected and properly disposed of over 800 pounds of unwanted drugs.

Residents who need more information about the “Shed the Meds” program on September 15 can call Senator Phillips’ office at 516-746-5924.