



When not disposed of in a safe and environmentally responsible way, unused pharmaceuticals can create serious health and safety issues. Leftover medications also pose serious environmental risks if they are flushed or discarded in the trash, as they can enter our waterways, contaminating drinking water and harming aquatic life. Please [dispose](#) of your unused and unwanted medications responsibly.



In recognition of National Baby Safety Month, both Walmart and Target are hosting car seat trade-in events. The Target event runs Sept. 3 – 13, and the Walmart event runs Sept. 16 – 30. Visit the [Target](#) or [Walmart](#) website to learn what will be accepted, how rewards can be used, and find participating locations. Both companies will recycle collected seats through TerraCycle or Waste Management. Just a reminder that car seats cannot go into your recycling bin.



We often get asked how clean recyclables have to be before they are put into the recycling bin. You don't have to put your bottles, jars or cans through the dishwasher or scrub them with soap and water. All you need to do is add a little water and give a good swish until most of the contents are removed. A few spots of residue are okay. (Some soaking and/or scraping may be needed to remove sticky stuff like honey or peanut butter.)



If you can't reuse it, refuse it. For tips on how to reduce and reuse, visit [Beyond Recycling: Reduce and Reuse.](#)