The Rock Hill Police Department has been awarded a grant from CVS/pharmacy to install a Drug Collection Unit. The new Unit will be located at the Police Department's lobby and will provide residents with a safe and environmentally responsible way to dispose of unwanted, unused or expired medication, including controlled substances.

The new Unit is intended to reduce the amount of unneeded medicine in residents' homes and decrease prescription drug abuse, which has soared in recent years, especially among teenagers. More than 70 percent of teenagers say it is easy to get prescription drugs from their parents' medicine cabinets, according to a 2014 Partnership for Drug-Free Kids study.

The Drug Collection Unit site is open to the public 24 hours a day and drugs can be dropped off with no questions asked.

