

TRIAD Projects and Partnerships

Annual Expired Drug Toss

Pharmaceuticals should never be flushed down the toilet or drain, burned in the open or thrown in the trash.

Why Not?

1. They can contaminate the environment if they get into drinking and ground water.
2. Some may kill bacteria in sewage treatment plants and septic systems if flushed down the drain or may produce drug-resistant bacteria.
3. Burning can release toxic pollutants into the air.
4. They can be scavenged from your trash receptacles to be illegally sold or ingested.
5. They can be taken mistakenly and cause serious health problems.

These items are accepted:

- All expired pharmaceuticals
- All unsealed syrups, eye drops or nose sprays
- All pharmaceuticals that should have been kept cold but were not
- All bulk or loose tablets and capsules
- All unsealed tubes of creams, ointments, etc.

TRIAD calendars:

The calendars are published by Louisville Metro TRIAD with funding from members of the Louisville Metro Council.

Individual pages present information by agencies who participate with TRIAD in addressing senior safety. The other pages include phone numbers, safety tips and other useful information.

PARTNER 911

TRIAD has joined with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office in forming **PARTNER 911** (for People At Risk Today Needing Emergency Response) is aimed at helping senior citizens and those that are impaired, abused and disabled.

Citizens and businesses are encouraged to donate their unused phones and chargers. The phones are programmed to call only 911. And those who receive a phone are given

written instructions on when they should use it, such as for a medical emergency or a life-threatening incident.

If you would like to donate a cellular telephone and charger to the PARTNER 911 program, call the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department at 574-5195 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Senior Day Out

Each October, **TRIAD** joins with community partners to hold a combination Health and Safety Fair where seniors can get information, health screenings and entertainment. Over 1670 people registered in 2010.

For October 2011, Senior Day Out will be held at the Kentucky International Convention Center on October 4th. Even more information, exhibits and entertainment will be provided, along with breakout sessions with area experts speaking throughout the day.