The Borough of Roseland — The Borough of Roseland today announced that it has joined the New Jersey Attorney General’s “Project Medicine Drop” initiative, and has installed a Project Medicine Drop box at police headquarters.

Today’s announcement makes it easier and more convenient than ever for The Borough of Roseland’s residents to take an active role in the fight against the nationwide epidemic of opiate and heroin abuse, which often is fueled by the abuse of prescription painkillers.

“Project Medicine Drop is a natural addition to our commitment to help improve the public safety and quality of life in The Borough of Roseland. It will encourage our residents to be fully aware of the potential for abuse presented by otherwise beneficial medications,” The Borough of Roseland Police Chief Richard McDonough said.

Mayor John Duthie added, “Roseland is a great town and we are excited to offer a safe, secure, and environmentally friendly method for folks to dispose of unused prescription drugs with no questions asked. Project Medicine Drop is a nice addition to the services that we offer to our residents and the program will hopefully prevent highly addictive prescription drugs from being abused.”

The department’s new Project Medicine Drop Box is located at 15 Harrison Avenue, Roseland, N.J. 07068. Residents may visit the Borough of Roseland Police Department at any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, to dispose of their unused or excess medications.

Project Medicine Drop is an important component of the New Jersey Attorney General’s effort to stop the diversion and abuse of prescription drugs, including highly addictive opiate painkillers.

Through this initiative, the State Division of Consumer Affairs installs secure “prescription drug drop boxes” at police departments, sheriff’s offices, and State Police barracks across New Jersey, allowing citizens to safely dispose of their unused, excess, or expired prescription medication.

Members of the public are invited to visit the Project Medicine Drop sites and drop off any unused prescription medications anonymously and with no questions asked.

By giving New Jerseyans a safe and secure method to dispose of unneeded medications, Project Medicine Drop helps prevent the abuse of these drugs. This initiative also protects New Jersey’s environment by keeping these drugs out of landfills and out of the water supply. More information about Project Medicine Drop, including the full list of Project Medicine Drop locations, can be found at www.NJConsumerAffairs.gov/meddrop.