

Dear Community,

To address recent concerns, the Grand Traverse Band Police Department has completed updated training on safe needle disposal. We are committed to maintaining a clean, safe, and healthy environment for all. Proper needle disposal is essential to prevent injuries and protect public health.



Why Safe Needle Disposal Matters:

Used needles and sharps can spread infections like HIV, Hepatitis B, and Hepatitis C. By safely disposing of your needles, you protect sanitation workers, healthcare providers, and the public from potential harm.



Safety Guidelines for Needle Disposal:

DO use a sharps disposal container or a sturdy household container like a detergent bottle if needed.

DO seal and label containers before disposing of them.

DO follow local guidelines for sharps disposal.

DO keep sharps containers out of reach of children and pets.

DO ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist about sharps disposal options.

DO contact your trash or public health department for more information on local disposal programs.

Together, we can keep our community safe, clean, and healthy
Miigwech for doing your part!

Stay Safe,

Grand Traverse Band Public Safety Department
2300 N. Stallman Rd, Suttons Bay, MI 49682

Tribal Police: (231) 534-7777

Tribal Fire: (231) 534-7666

Where to Safely Dispose of Needles in GTB Country:

• **Grand Traverse County:**

Sixth Street Drugs

1020 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI 49684

Hours: Mon-Fri: 8:30am-6pm | Sat: 9am-4pm

Please use a hard container, like a milk jug or detergent bottle.

• **Leelanau County:**

Suttons Bay - Bingham Fire & Rescue

201 S. St. Mary's Ave, Suttons Bay, MI 49682

Hours: All week: 8am-8pm

• **Benzie County:**

No local drop-off location.

Closest: Sixth Street Drugs, Traverse City

• **Charlevoix County:**

Lake Charlevoix EMS Authority Main Station

9251 Major Douglas Sloan Rd, Charlevoix, MI 49720

Hours: All week: 8am-8pm

Lake Charlevoix EMS Authority Downtown Station

210 State St, Charlevoix, MI 49720

Hours: All week: 8am-8pm

• **Antrim County:**

Antrim County Sheriff's Office

209 Portage Dr, Bellaire, MI 49615

Hours: Mon-Fri: 8am-4pm

Once dropped off, needles are handled by certified waste management services following strict safety protocols, ensuring they are safely neutralized or incinerated.