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## Senator Phillips to Hold “Shed the Meds” Program on Earth Day in Manhasset

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Senator Elaine Phillips (R-Manhasset), in partnership with the Manhasset Community Coalition Against Substance Abuse (CASA) and the Nassau County Police Department, will be sponsoring a “Shed the Meds” program to help residents safely dispose of unused or expired medications.

The “Shed the Meds” program will be held on Saturday, April 22nd from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at Shelter Rock Elementary School (27A Shelter Rock Road, Manhasset).

Participating in the program is easy; residents will be able to drive up, drop off their old or unused medications, and drive away. Residents can bring any type of medication for disposal, however needles cannot be accepted. All collected medication will be safely disposed of by officers from the Nassau County Police Department who will be supervising the program.

Safe disposal helps protect the environment and eliminates the risk of these drugs getting into the hands of small children or those who might misuse them. Improper disposal of medications, such as pouring them down the drain or flushing them down the toilet, can potentially pollute local waterways.

Residents who need more information about the “Shed the Meds” program on April 22nd can call Senator Phillips’ office at 516-746-5924.