What should I do with my used syringes?
Used syringes and other sharps should always be placed in a sharps container and disposed of safely – either at a drop-off site or in a mail-back program. IV drug users can also enroll in a Needle Exchange Program for needle exchange and other harm reduction services. Do not clip, bend, or recap needles and always keep sharps and containers away from children and pets.

Can I put my used syringes in the trash?
No. Throwing syringes in the trash, recycling bin, or disposing them anywhere that is not a safe needle disposal container is against the law and could lead to a fine. Sharps that have been improperly disposed of pose a health and safety risk to the public and to sanitation workers. Sharps and syringes must be disposed of at a needle and syringe disposal drop-off site or through a medical mail-back service.

What should I do if I find a needle on a public way?
If you find a needle on a sidewalk or other public way, please call the Mayor’s Hotline at 311. Provide the location of the needle(s) with as much detail as possible and the Mobile Sharps Team will locate and collect the waste.

LOCATIONS FOR SAFE SYRINGE DISPOSAL IN BOSTON

**AIDS Action Committee**
Inside Access Program lobby
75 Amory Street Boston, MA

**Boston Health Care for the Homeless**
Inside lobby
780 Albany Street Boston, MA

**Boston Public Health Commission**
35 Northampton Street, Boston, MA

**Project Trust**
Inside building
721 Massachusetts Ave Boston, MA

**Neponset Health Center**
398 Neponset Avenue Dorchester, MA

**MA Alliance of Portuguese Speakers**
Inside doorway
1 Stoughton Street Dorchester, MA

**Walgreens Community Pharmacy**
Inside pharmacy
21–23 Stanhope Street Boston, MA

**Women Connecting Affecting Change**
In lobby
409 Blue Hill Avenue Dorchester, MA

**Dimock Community Health Center**
Outside kiosk; right side of the building
40 Dimock Street, Roxbury, MA

**Clifford Park**
Proctor Street Entrance, Boston, MA
171 Norfolk Ave, Boston, MA

**Orchard Garden Park**
Keegan St Entrance, Roxbury, MA

**Boston Public Health Commission**
906 Albany St, Boston, MA
112 Southampton St, Boston, MA