

Medicine Bottle Project

Omicron Delta Chapter supports global health through participation in the medicine bottle project for developing countries administered through Matthew25Ministries (www.m25m.org). You are encouraged to participate by saving and mailing in empty medicine bottles.

Why has Omicron Delta Chapter taken on this cause?

U.S. Landfills Do Not Need Medicine Bottles! Anyone on prescription medicines finds themselves a bit uncomfortable when throwing away so many empty medicine bottles. It is obvious our landfills do not need these plastic containers!

Medicine Wrapped in Paper

While first world nations throw away perfectly good medicine bottles, medical pharmacies and hospital facilities in developing countries often find themselves with nothing except torn pieces of paper in which to wrap medicine for their patients. This is often seen in rural hospitals and villages where the poorest of the nation try to live and survive. You can help to change this.

Safe and Out of Reach of Children

Providing medicine bottles will help families in a third world country keep their medicines clean, out of reach of small children, and safe while they are being used.

What Do You Need to Do. Ask family and friends to save their bottles for you. Here are the instructions for preparing the bottles obtained from their website.

Pill Bottle Donations

Matthew 25: Ministries accepts donations of empty plastic pill bottles for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies and for shredding and recycling. Our pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for our environment.

Acceptable collection items include:

- Prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles
- Large and small pill bottles
- Pill Bottles with and without secure caps (child resistant)

Pill bottles that are not appropriate to include with shipments of medical supplies are recycled for cash that goes towards Matthew 25: Ministries' programs. If you wish to prepare bottles for shipment rather than recycling, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Bottles included in shipments of medical supplies must have an all plastic lid.
- Sort bottles by color and type.
- Remove labels, leaving no glue or residue.

- Wash bottles in very hot water and dish soap.
- Rinse and dry thoroughly.
- Replace lids on clean, dried bottles.
- Place clean, recapped bottles in large ziplock bags marked “Clean Bottles.”
These will be blended with medical supplies.

Once you have enough to fill a box, place a note inside the box saying that these are donated on behalf of the Omicron Delta Chapter of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International. Please send pill bottles to:

Matthew 25: Ministries
11060 Kenwood Road
Cincinnati, OH 45242

Then email marilyn@omicrondelta.net with the date mailed and number of medicine bottles included.



Containers go to 67 different countries. Containers considered not of use for shipping are put through a recycling chipper at their office, chips sold to a RECYCLING company and the money gained is used for shipping the ones that can be used. They welcome our participation!!