



# NEWSLETTER

Wyoming  
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## Wyoming Medication Donation Program

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### Program Updates:

- \* New prescription assistance program (PAP) services available (for current patients only)
- \* 2 new staff members joined the team
- \* Value of donated meds available on our shelves exceeds \$2.5 million as of July 1st
- \* Nearly 2,400 pounds of medication has been donated since the beginning of the year

### COVID-19 & it's effects:

While the pandemic continues to evolve, every community is feeling the ripple effects. The State of Wyoming is in a financial crisis due to the significant economic impacts caused by COVID-19.

As time goes on, the State of Wyoming is anticipating budget cuts across all departments. While we do not know how this will impact our program, we are following this very closely.

More Wyomingites have been applying for assistance from WMDP, due to an increase in unemployment rates linked to the pandemic. This is good news for the program, as it means we are helping more people to get their needed prescriptions. However, the program has also seen a slight decrease in overall donations of usable medications. We are hopeful this is just a short-term decline due to COVID-19, especially donations that normally would be coming from nursing homes and facilities. We are monitoring this closely at this time as well.

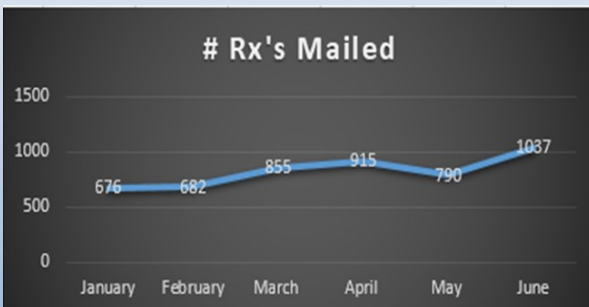
New application packet as of July 1, 2020  
Visit our website for more details



### Statistics Update:

From the numbers below, you can see that our efficiency has increased and our overall volume has grown. In June we mailed out over one thousand prescriptions to Wyomingites, which is a notable improvement from January.

January – June Snapshot	2019	2020
Drug Donations (units, in thousands)	451	545
Disposal (pounds)	1,482	933
# Encounters (how many times our patients called us to fill their Rx's)	1,670	2,330



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