

## Syringe Exchange Services in California (March 19, 2012)

Currently there are almost 40 programs in California which provide syringe exchange services. Many have fixed locations, but others operate at various locations and times throughout the week. In addition to the program listing provided below, the following link provides information on syringe exchange sites and times in Northern California: [San Francisco Bay Area Wide Syringe Exchange List](#).

Syringe exchange hours and locations in Los Angeles can be found by calling the toll-free needle exchange line, at **888-LANEX85**. For information for other areas, and for the most up-to-date information on programs in the Los Angeles and San Francisco Bay Area, contact the programs listed below.

### California Syringe Exchange Programs

County	Program	City	Phone
Alameda	Needle Exchange Emergency Distribution (NEED)	Berkeley	510-984-2316
Alameda	<a href="#">HIV Education &amp; Prevention Project of Alameda County (HEPPAC)</a>	Oakland	510-434-0307
Alameda	<a href="#">Points of Distribution</a>	Oakland	510-654-1636
Alameda	<a href="#">Tri-City Health Center</a>	Fremont	510-713-6690
Contra Costa	Richmond Exchange Works	Point Richmond	510-236-8122
Fresno	Fresno Needle Exchange	Fresno	559-412-6226
Humboldt	<a href="#">Redwoods Rural Health Center</a>	Redway	707-923-2783
Humboldt	<a href="#">United Indian Health Services</a>	Arcata	707-825-5070
Humboldt	<a href="#">Mobile Medical Office</a>	Eureka	707-443-4666
Lake	<a href="#">Any Positive Change</a>	Lower Lake	707-993-2932
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Common Ground</a>	Santa Monica	310-314-5480
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Clean Needles Now</a>	Los Angeles	323-857-5846
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Bienestar Human Services Program</a>	Los Angeles	323-727-7896
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Asian American Drug Abuse Program</a>	Los Angeles	323-293-6284
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Tarzana Treatment Center, Inc.</a>	Reseda	818-342-5897
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Homeless Health Care Los Angeles</a>	Los Angeles	213-744-0724
Marin	<a href="#">Marin AIDS Project</a>	San Rafael	415-457-2487
Mendocino	<a href="#">Mendocino County AIDS Volunteer Network (MCAVN)</a>	Ukiah	707-462-1932
Monterey	Monterey County Needle Exchange Program	Salinas	831-784-6969
Sacramento/ Yolo County	<a href="#">Harm Reduction Services</a>	Sacramento	916-456-4849
Sacramento/ Yolo County	<a href="#">Safer Alternatives Through Networking and Education (SANE)</a>	Sacramento	916-397-2434
San Diego	<a href="#">Family Health Centers of San Diego, HIV Prevention Center</a>	San Diego	619-515-2300
San Francisco	<a href="#">Tenderloin Health</a>	San Francisco	415-437-2900
San Francisco	<a href="#">San Francisco Needle Exchange (SFNE)</a>	San Francisco	415-630-0744
San Francisco	<a href="#">SFAF Prevention Project</a>	San Francisco	415-241-5100
San Francisco	<a href="#">St. James Infirmary</a>	San Francisco	415-554-8494
San Luis Obispo	<a href="#">San Luis Obispo Syringe Exchange Program/SLO Bangers</a>	San Luis Obispo	805-781-5540
San Mateo	NIGHT Program	San Mateo	650-573-2141
San Mateo	AIDS Prevention Action Network (APAN) / San Andreas Needle Exchange	Redwood City	650-369-0330
San Mateo	<a href="#">ACRC Syringe Access Program (ASAP)</a>	Redwood City	650-364-6563
San Mateo	<a href="#">Free At Last</a>	East Palo Alto	650-462-6999
Santa Barbara	<a href="#">Pacific Pride Foundation / The Right Outfit</a>	Santa Barbara	805-963-3636

Santa Clara	HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Program	San Jose	408-494-7893
Santa Cruz	<a href="#">Street Outreach Supporters</a>	Santa Cruz	831-239-0657
Shasta	<a href="#">Shasta County Needle Exchange Program</a>	Redding	530-225-5298
Sonoma	<a href="#">Drug Abuse Alternative Center (DAAC)</a>	Santa Rosa	707-544-3295
Ventura	<a href="#">Ventura County Rainbow Alliance - Syringe Replacement Program</a>	Ventura	805-339-6340
Yolo	See Sacramento		

## Pharmacy Syringe Access

Effective January 1, 2012, any pharmacy in the state may provide nonprescription sale of syringe (NPSS), and may sell up to 30 syringes at a time to adults ages 18 and older. Many pharmacies are still learning about this change in law, and have not yet started providing NPSS, which is optional. However, over 600 pharmacies statewide participated in the pilot program, the Disease Prevention Demonstration Project, which allowed pharmacies to sell syringes over-the-counter in cities and counties that authorized participation. Most of these pharmacies are currently providing NPSS.

In San Francisco, all Walgreens are participating in the program. In Los Angeles, [Helpstopaids.com](http://Helpstopaids.com) has information on participating pharmacies.

In other counties, information on participating pharmacies is available through health department websites, or by phone through the list below.

## Nonprescription Pharmacy Sale of Syringes

County/City	List of Pharmacies Participating in Pilot
Alameda	Please call 510-268-7647
Contra Costa	<a href="#">Contra Costa Pharmacy Syringe Sales</a>
City of Long Beach	<a href="#">Long Beach Participating Pharmacies</a>
Humboldt	Please call 707-441-5074
Los Angeles	<a href="#">Help Stop AIDS</a>
Marin	<a href="#">Marin Participating Pharmacies</a>
City of Sacramento	<a href="#">Sacramento Participating Pharmacies</a>
San Francisco	<a href="#">SF Syringe Access &amp; Disposal Pharmacies</a>
San Mateo	<a href="#">San Mateo DPDP</a>
Santa Barbara	<a href="#">Santa Barbara County Participating Pharmacies</a>
Santa Clara	<a href="#">Santa Clara Registered Pharmacies</a>
Santa Cruz	Please call 831-454-4313
Solano	Please call (707) 553-5557
Sonoma	<a href="#">Sonoma Registered Pharmacies</a>
Yolo	Please call 530-666-8694
Yuba	Please call 530-749-6435