How Rx Destroyer Continues to Lead the Fight Against the Opioid Epidemic

The Opioid Epidemic is a national emergency and a tragedy to our local communities as prolonged opioid addiction has endangered public health and communities. Since 2000, [more than 932,000 people in the United States have died of drug overdoses](https://www.cdc.gov/opioids/data/index.html#:~:text=The%20Drug%20Overdose%20Epidemic%3A%20Behind,1999%20from%20a%20drug%20overdose.), the majority of which were due to opioids.

Rx Destroyer was born out of a passion for protecting local communities from the repercussions of irresponsible drug disposal. Our goal is to prevent the life-threatening consequences of unauthorized drug diversion and to provide a substance abuse prevention strategy to protect our youth, children, and most vulnerable.

Rx Destroyer is recognized as the pioneer of drug disposal, with a ready-to-use product on the market since 2010. We take great pride that our preventative vision to save lives and the environment using an eco-friendly solution was developed four years prior to the [2014 federal law requiring the secure disposal of controlled substances by registrants and ultimate users.](https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/FR-2014-09-09/2014-20926)

[*Read our blog on Combatting the National Opioid Crisis*](https://www.rxdestroyer.com/drug-diversion-prevention/opioids/)

“Opioid addiction is not a weakness, it’s a disease and needs to be treated as so. The opioid epidemic affects every community across the nation. Regardless of socioeconomic status, age, and gender— the opioid crisis is unprejudiced in its reach and devastation,” said founder and CEO of Rx Destroyer, Milton Dallas.

Opioids have evolved since they were introduced in the 1860s and in recent years, there has been an increase in opioid prescriptions, misuse, and related deaths. [According to the CDC,](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/pressroom/nchs_press_releases/2022/202205.htm)**107,375 people** in the United States died of drug overdoses and drug poisonings in the 12-month period ending in January 2022.

The [National Opioid Settlement](https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/) has been a recent success story for families and communities, but the fight is not over yet. The media often highlights drug overdosing stories but overlooks drug prevention. Rx Destroyer’s approach is to be proactive and preventative, sharing best industry practices through education, awareness, and availability. We’ve made drug destruction convenient and easy, so drug take back day is literally “everyday.” Rx Destroyer products are easy to use in facilities, schools and at home.

[With the Opioid Settlements already distributing funds at the state and local government levels](https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/distributor-janssen-faq/), it is our sincere hope that policy and government agencies apply these funds with logic and long-term vision.

“As a community, we must come together and create a preventative plan with an equally sustainable implementation effort to protect our families, community, and country into the foreseeable future. As we know, drug abuse and misuse have no bounds,” said Dallas.

Rx Destroyer is proud to be historically part of the solution, but our work will never be done. [With the support of these funds,](https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/2022-National-Opioids-Settlements-FAQs-02-02-2023.pdf) we look forward to new partnerships that preventatively fight individual and family trauma before the inevitable overdose and or loss of life.

[Please join Rx Destroyer in the preventative fight today.](https://www.rxdestroyer.com/contact/)

***Read our press release on Opioid Settlement Crash Course & Fund Disbursement***