

PRESS RELEASE

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The Hinsdale Police Department is participating with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) on its twelfth **National Prescription Drug Take- Back Day.**

On Saturday October 22, 2016, from 10:00am-2:00pm the Hinsdale Police Department will be collecting expired, unused, unwanted prescription drugs and over the counter drugs for destruction.

Prescription drug abuse in the United States is increasing at alarming rates, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Many people do not know how to properly dispose of their unused medicine, often flushing them down the toilet or throwing them away- both potential safety and health hazards.

The prescription drug take back program is free and will be anonymous for all who participate. Participants may dispose of medication in its original container. It is not required to remove any identifying information from the prescription label. All material collected will be incinerated.

The Hinsdale Police Department will <u>NOT</u> accept liquid products, intra-venous solutions, syringes, needles, inhalers and other air cylinders.

For more information on this free program, please contact Officer Michael Coughlin at 630-789-7084 or mcoughlin@villageofhinsdale.org.