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Release # September National Pharmaceutical Drug Take Back Event

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National Pharmaceutical Drug Take Back Day Event

On Saturday, September 27, 2014, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm, Tualatin Police, in cooperation with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), will host a "Pharmaceutical Drug Take Back Day" at the Tualatin Police Department, 8650 SW Tualatin Rd., in Tualatin.

This is an opportunity for citizens to bring in unwanted or expired prescription medications (liquid or solid) and over-the-counter medicines and dispose of them in a way that is safer for the environment and our community. The DEA is making efforts to stop the disposal of medications by flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the garbage. The purpose of this event is to decrease the chances of the drugs getting into the wrong hands or ending up in our water supply.

In April, Tualatin Police Department collected 11 boxes full of prescription and over-the-counter medications, totaling 273 pounds. These results represent the necessity of this event and we are excited to participate once again.

Tualatin Police want to remind citizens of the year-round convenience of the drug turn-in box installed in the lobby of the Tualatin Police Department, available Monday-Friday, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Citizens are encouraged to be mindful of the environment and the safety of others when disposing of medications. For information on safe disposal methods, please go to <http://www.smarxtdisposal.net>

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