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Nationwide Prescription Drug "Take-Back" Day

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department is proud to announce its partnership with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in a nationwide prescription drug "Take-Back" day. The event will take place on **Saturday, April 29th, 2017, from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.** The program allows members of the public to drop off potentially dangerous, expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction at any of the below listed Sheriff's Stations throughout Riverside County.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Many Americans are not aware that medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to misuse and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are increasing at alarming rates, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

In addition, many Americans 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.

More information can be found by going to the Drug Take-Back Day website. Other participants in this initiative include the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the National Association of Attorneys General, the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, the Federation of State Medical Boards and the National District Attorneys Association.

The service is free and anonymous with no questions asked.

The next Prescription Drug Take-Back Program is taking place on Saturday, April 29th, 2017, from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at the following Sheriff's Stations:

Perris Sheriff's Station Moreno Valley Southwest Sheriff's Station 137 N. Perris Blvd. **Police Department** 22850 Calle San Juan 30755 A Auld Road Suite A Perris De Los Lagos Murrieta 951-210-1000 Moreno Valley 951-696-3000 951-486-6700

Jurupa ValleyHemetLake ElsinoreSheriff's StationSheriff's Station7477 Mission Blvd.43950 Acacia Ave.333 Limited Ave.RiversideSuite BLake Elsinore951-955-2600Hemet, CA 92544951-245-3300

951-791-3400 Palm Desert Calimesa Thermal Sheriff's Station Sheriff's Station **Senior Center** 73705 Gerald Ford Dr. 908 Park Ave. 86625 Airport Blvd. Palm Desert Calimesa Thermal 760-921-7900 Cabazon Station: 760-863-8990

951-922-7100

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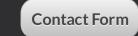
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