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Pickens County Residents Take Advantage of “Pill Take-Back” Day

On Saturday, April 29th, law enforcement agencies within Pickens County hosted a “Pill Take-Back” day at three local drop-off sites. The general public was encouraged to rid their homes of potentially dangerous, unused and unwanted prescription drugs by turning them over to law enforcement officials for proper disposal.

The volume of drugs collected during this initiative exceeded all previous events from years past in Pickens County. A total of 455 pounds of various prescription drugs and over the counter medications were turned in at the drop-off sites or collected from the Coroner’s Office or the Sheriff’s Office.

Sheriff Clark stated...

“Obviously, the program works and to see results like these tells us that the people in Pickens County care about their environment. Through the partnerships that we have with other law enforcement agencies coupled with the commitment from our health care providers, we will continue to make a positive impact on our water and sewer systems by diverting these drugs away from our community.

More importantly, with each collected pill, we reduce the chance that dangerous drugs fall needlessly into the hands of our children”.

I have attached an image of the flyer listing the locations where the drop-off sites were held and the logos of the hosting agencies. The remaining images are of the medications collected during the event.

Results from 2013 to 2017:

April	2017	455lbs
October	2016	140lbs
April	2016	235lbs
September	2015	175lbs
April	2015	390lbs
September	2014	118lbs

April	2014	298lbs
October	2013	345lbs
April	2013	147lbs

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