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Press Release

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HPDPS is a Drop-Off Location for Prescription Drug Take Back Event

October 21, 2016 (Highland Park, Texas) – Highland Park Department of Safety (HPDPS) is proud to participate in the Drug Enforcement Administration’s (DEA) National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, October 22nd, between the hours to 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. This event provides the public a perfect opportunity to rid their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The majority of prescription drug abusers report that they obtain their drugs from friends and family, including from the home medicine cabinet.

The HPDPS collection site will be conveniently set up adjacent to the firehouse, 4700 Drexel Drive. The service is free with no questions asked.

- Restrictions: The DEA cannot accept intra-venous liquids, needles or sharps

Last April, during its 11th Take Back Day, the DEA and over 4,200 of its national, tribal, and community law enforcement partners collected 893,498 pounds (about 447 tons) of unwanted prescription drugs at almost 5,400 collection sites. A total of 35,788 pounds of unused, expired or unwanted drugs were turned into the collection boxes in North Texas and Oklahoma.

The public can find a nearby collection site by visiting www.hptx.org/TakeBack, clicking on the “Got Drugs?” image, and following the links to a searchable database.

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