## SALUD+HEALTH INFO NEWS RELEASE

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## Over 4,700 sites join DEA Nationwide effort to **TAKE-BACK PRESCRIPTION DRUGS**

**Why:** Prescription drugs are the second most commonly abused category of drugs, behind marijuana and ahead of cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine and other drugs.

Approximately six out of ten teens agree that prescription drugs are easy to get from parent's medicine cabinets, according to The Partnership for a Drug Free America 2009. So it is important to properly dispose of medications that are no longer needed.

Are unused, unneeded and expired medications filling up your medicine cabinet? Don't know what to do with all of those old prescription drugs? The Drug Enforcement Administration has scheduled a National Prescription Drug Take-Back day.

"I encourage every American to take advantage of this valuable opportunity to safely dispose of unused, unneeded, or expired prescription drugs," said Gil Kerlikowkse, Director of National Drug Control Policy. "Preventing these readily available, and potentially deadly drugs from being diverted, and misused is something each and every one of us can do to help reduce the epidemic of prescription drug abuse that is harming so many Americans."

## When: Saturday, October 29, 2011

## Time: The free event will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. local time.

Where: Collection sites in every local community can be found by going to:

## www.deadiversion.gov

Click on the "Got Drugs?" banner at the top of the home page, which connects to a database that citizens can search by zip code, city or county. This site is continuously updated with new Take-back locations. In addition, interested residents of San Diego can learn more, and download the latest announcement for this initiative, and more information available in English and Spanish, by visiting:

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

# **Prescription Drug Take Back Day**

## Drop Off Your Unused Prescription Drugs

Saturday, October 29, 2011

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

## NO QUESTIONS ASKED!

### SOUTHERN

- Scopps Chula Vista 435 H Street, Chula Vista
- National City Police Department 1200 National City Blvd., National City
- Coronado Police Station
  700 Orange Avenue, Coronado
- Imperial Beach Sheriff's Station
  845 Imperial Beach Blvd\_ Imperial Beach

### EASTERN

- Waigreen's 10512 Mission Gorge Rd., Santee
- Albertson's Shopping Center 2955 Alpine Blvd., Alpine
- El Cajon Police Department 100 Civic Center Way, EL Cajon
- La Mesa Police Department 8085 University Ave, La Mesa
- Sycuan Tribal Police Station
  5522 Sycuan Road, El Cajon
- Julian Sheriff's Station 2907 PC Washington St., Julian
- SDSU Parking Lot O College Ave & Lindo Paseo
- Lemon Grove Sheriff's Station 3240 Main Street, Lemon Grove

## LOCATIONS:

- Scripps Encinitas Hospital 354 Santa Fe Drive, Encinitas
- Scripps Coastal Medical Center 2176 Salk Ave., Carlsbad
- Scripps Rancho Bernardo Clinic 15004 Innovation Drive, San Diego
- Oceanside-El Coracon Senior Center 3302 Senior Center Drive, Oceanside
- Fallbrook Sheriff's Station
  388 E. Alvarado St., Fallbrook
- Escond do Police Station 1163 N. Centre City Pkwy ... Escondido
- Ramona Albertson's Parking Lot 1459 Main St., Ramona
- Poway Sheriff's Station
  13100 Bowron Road, Poway

## CAMP PENDLETON

- (Military, Rothers, SensetCarter & Staff Cony) Front Gate (20 Ares) In Parking Lot at Wire Mt. Rd. & Vandegrift Blvd.
- Naval Hospital near Pharmacy Bidg.
- San Onofre Parking Lot near MCX

To find the collection site nearest you, visit: http://www.dea.gov

## CENTRAL

**Help Prevent** 

Sharps

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Accepted

- County Administration Center 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego
- Scripps Green Hospital 10666 N. Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolia
- UCSD Lot 705 at Voigt & Campus Point Dr.
- SDPD Eastern Division
  9225 Aero Drive, San Diego

**Prescription Drug Abuse** 

- SDPD Southeastern Division 7222 Skyline Drive, San Diego
- SDPD Northwestern Division
  12592 El Camino Real, San Diego
- Sah Diego County Juvenile Hall
  2801 Meadow Lark Dr., San Diego
- North Park Lions Club 3927 Utah St., San Diego

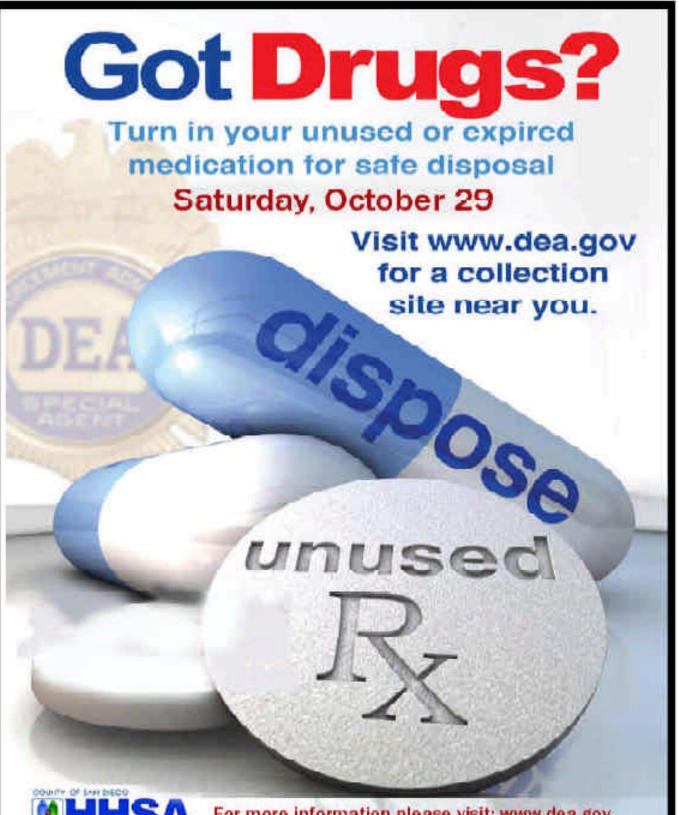
#### MILITARY (Millary, Rethess, Beterificturies, & Staff Only)

- Naval Medical Center San Diego (Balboa) Baster Circle (Subway Circle) Between Bidg 2 & 3
- Navy Exchange 32nd St., Located in the Old Home Store Parking Lot
- MCAS Miramar Branch Medical Clinic Building #2496 Bauer Rd.

Rx Abuse Hotline: (877) 662-6384







COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES For more information please visit: www.dea.gov, call the San Diego Division of Drug Enforcement Agency at (858) 616- 4100





Para más información llame a San Diego Division of Drug Enforcement Agency al teléfono: (858) 616-4100