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MEDIA ALERT



Save the Date National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Vigo County, IN – DEA has announced that National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day will occur on April 28, 2018 from 10am to 2pm.

Drug Free Vigo County and Chances And Services for Youth are hosting this year's Drug Take-Back Day with the Terre Haute Police Department and Indiana State University Police. Together, they will be collecting unused or expired medication for safe disposal.

Police, workers and volunteers will collect prescription drugs at three locations; Indiana State University's Welcome Center at North 5th and Chestnut Street, AMVETS Post 222 in West Terre Haute and Vigo County Fairgrounds.

And the best part, drivers can pull up and drop off their medication without leaving their vehicle! Officers will also have a drug drop-off box at each location for safe and easy disposal, but needles, vitamins and liquids will not be accepted.

Drug Free Vigo County was recently awarded a federal Drug Free Communities grant from the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Did you know that 90% of all DFC coalitions reported holding a prescription drug take-back event this past year?

As a matter of fact, DEA reported a record-setting 912,305 pounds of prescription drugs collected at last fall's Drug Take-Back Day event. With 90% of all DFC's across the country participating, that's almost 456 tons of dangerous unused and unwanted prescription drugs.

Together, we can make sure prescription drugs don't fall into the wrong hands. So please save the date, plan to participate and help spread the word in your neighborhood.

Chances And Services for Youth Mission Statement:

“Providing services “cradle to college” ensuring children grow up in safe, nurturing environments in our community.”

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