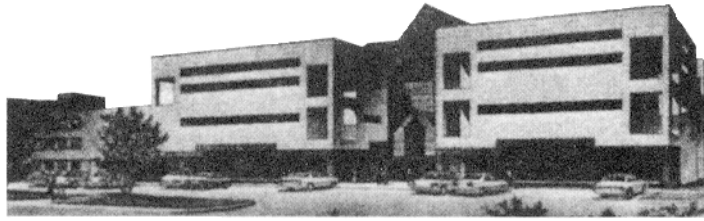


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On October 27, 2018, the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) coordinated a Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative throughout Wisconsin. The main focus of the event is to remove potentially dangerous pharmaceutical substances from our state's medicine cabinets and prevent them from going into our water supply. The event also brings attention to the dangers of pharmaceutical controlled substance abuse.

The Waukesha County Sheriff's Office teamed up with the DOJ as well as the Cities of Delafield, Muskego, New Berlin, Oconomowoc and Waukesha, Villages of Butler, Eagle, Elm Grove, Hartland, Menomonee Falls, Mukwonago, Pewaukee, Sussex and Town of Brookfield at collection sites around the county. The event also provides an opportunity for law enforcement agencies to safely dispose of accumulated, unwanted and unused prescription drugs collected in drop boxes.

Sheriff Eric Severson, who continuously supports the removal of heroin and other drugs from our streets, dedicated resources to be the point of contact for packaging and disposing of the collections for all Wisconsin communities.

The Prescription Drug Take-Back Day provides a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposal, while educating the public about the potential for abuse of these medications. Unused or expired medicine should never be flushed or poured down the drain. Water reclamation facilities are not designed to remove all of particles and trace amounts of pharmaceuticals are showing up in rivers and lakes around the world.

The Waukesha County collection results are as follows in pounds:

City of Delafield	88.40	Town of Brookfield	126.60	Village of M/Falls	165.0
City of Muskego	584.0	Village of Butler	109.60	Village of Mukwonago	255.40
City of New Berlin	620.20	Village of Eagle	25.20	Village of Pewaukee	299.80
City of Oconomowoc	402.80	Village of Elm Grove	209.40	Village of Sussex	322.60
City of Waukesha	744.0	Village of Hartland	634.60	Waukesha County Sheriff	713.20

Grand total: 5,300.80 pounds

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