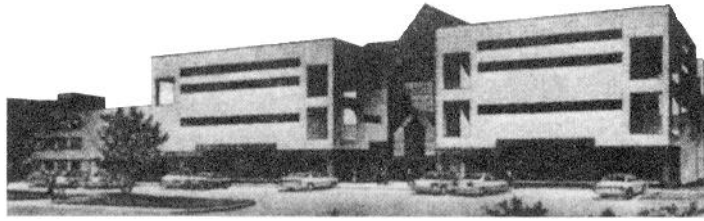




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On April 28, 2018, the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) coordinated a Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative throughout Wisconsin. The main focus of the event is to remove potentially dangerous pharmaceutical substances from our state's medicine 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 Eagle, Elm Grove, Hartland, Menomonee Falls, Mukwonago, Pewaukee and Sussex, and Arrowhead High School 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 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	196.40	Village of Eagle	86.20	Village of Pewaukee	498.00
City of Muskego	243.20	Village of Elm Grove	178.60	Village of Sussex	289.60
City of New Berlin	817.40	Village of Hartland	520.20	Waukesha County Sheriff	728.60
City of Oconomowoc	507.20	Village of Menomonee Falls	1,302.50	Arrowhead High School	98.60
City of Waukesha	675.40	Village of Mukwonago	387.00		

**Grand total: 6,529.20 pounds**

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