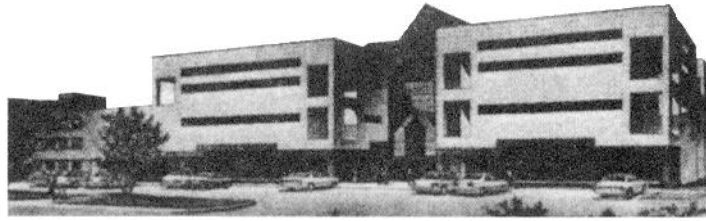




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Prescription Drug Take Back – Waukesha County

On April 22nd, 2023, the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) coordinated a Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative throughout Wisconsin. Drug Take Back events provide a safe and convenient method for our communities to dispose of unwanted and/or unused medication. They also serve as a mechanism to educate the community about the potential abuse and consequences of improper storage and disposal of prescription medications.

The Wisconsin initiative was part of the Drug Enforcement Administration's - National Drug Take Back day. Wisconsin Department of Justice recently announced that Wisconsin collected an approximate total of 55,472 lbs during the spring 2023 event. Waukesha County accounted for approximately 6035 lbs. of the Wisconsin total.

The Waukesha County Sheriff's Office teamed up with the Wisconsin Department of Justice, as well as the Cities of Waukesha, Delafield, Muskego, New Berlin, Pewaukee, and Oconomowoc, Villages of Butler, Eagle, Menomonee Falls, Mukwonago, Pewaukee, Sussex, North Prairie, Elm Grove, and Lannon, and Town of Brookfield to manage event day collection sites around Waukesha County.

Many of these communities, as well as several others not listed, are also supported by permanent drug disposal boxes in their local police departments. The drug take back events provide an opportunity for law enforcement agencies to safely dispose of accumulated, unwanted, and unused prescription drugs collected in these permanent disposal boxes.

To access additional safe disposal tips and year-round drug collection locations visit <https://doseofrealitywi.gov/drug-takeback/find-a-take-back-location/>

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The Waukesha County collection results are as follows (in pounds):

City of Delafield	145	Town of Brookfield	164	Village of M/Falls	672
City of Muskego	430	Village of Butler	78	Village of Mukwonago	302
City of New Berlin	502	Village of Eagle	36	Village of Pewaukee	249
City of Oconomowoc	742	Waukesha Co. Sheriff	746	Village of Sussex	423
City of Waukesha	534	Village of Hartland	567	Village of Summit	72
City of Pewaukee	142	Village of North Prairie	65	Village of Elm Grove	148
Village of Lannon	18				

Waukesha County grand total: 6035 pounds

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