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OCSO SEES HUGE RESPONSE TO PRESCRIPTION PILL TAKEBACK INITIATIVE



The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office had a record amount of prescription drugs turned in during the most recent Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative April 27th.

More than 450 pounds of unused, expired, or unwanted prescription medications were dropped off for destruction; compared to approximately 161 pounds in April 2011.

The Sheriff's Office set up collection sites in the parking lots of each of the four Wal-marts with "drive through" tents for residents.

Prescription Drug Take Backs are typically held twice a year in Okaloosa County as part of a nationwide initiative involving local law enforcement agencies and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

The DEA says Okaloosa County was the second largest contributor in Northwest Florida. Escambia was the largest.

Special thanks to Wal-Mart, the OCSO Posse, numerous OCSO deputies who took part and Lt. Charlie Nix for their efforts.

<http://www.cdc.gov/homeandrecreationalafety/rxbrief/>

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