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90 POUNDS OF PRESCRIPTIONS COLLECTED

On Saturday, April 27, 2024, the Lake City Police Department participated in the Drug Enforcement Agency's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day and collected 90 pounds of medications.

This nationwide initiative offers individuals an opportunity to safely and anonymously dispose of unwanted, unused, and expired medications, effectively combating the growing addiction crisis. During these events, citizens can dispose of prescription bottles or directly deposit medications into the disposal box without needing to remove label information, promoting comfort and convenience. Veterinary prescriptions are also accepted and subsequently incinerated by the DEA after collection.

Please note illicit substances, needles, inhalers, or compressed air cylinders are not accepted, and local healthcare facilities are not permitted to participate in these events. Prescription drug disposal was available at the Lake City Police Department from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., offering anyone the opportunity to dispose of prescriptions anonymously.

Chief of Police Gerald Butler emphasized the importance of this initiative, stating, "Prescription drug disposal is essential for public safety. By taking part in these programs, we're safeguarding our community against the misuse and abuse of medications. Together, we're creating a safer and healthier environment for everyone."

For more information about this national effort visit <https://www.dea.gov/takebackday>



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