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26 POUNDS OF PRESCRIPTIONS COLLECTED

On Saturday, April 26, 2025, the Lake City Police Department proudly participated in the Drug Enforcement Administration's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, successfully collecting 26 pounds of unwanted medications from community members.

This national initiative provides a safe, convenient, and anonymous way for individuals to dispose of unused, unwanted, or expired medications. By doing so, it helps reduce the risk of drug misuse and supports efforts to combat the opioid and prescription drug addiction crisis. Citizens were able to drop off medications in their original containers—no need to remove labels—for ease and privacy. Veterinary prescriptions were also accepted.

Please note that illicit drugs, needles, inhalers, and compressed air cylinders are not accepted during these events. Additionally, local healthcare facilities are not authorized to participate in the collection.

The drop-off site at the Lake City Police Department was open from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., giving residents a convenient opportunity to safely dispose of their medications.

Chief of Police Gerald Butler highlighted the importance of community participation, stating, "Proper disposal of prescription drugs is vital to public safety. Through these efforts, we reduce the chance of medications being misused or ending up in the wrong hands. Every pill turned in is one less that could cause harm."

For more information about future Take Back Day events, visit www.dea.gov/takebackday.



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