

Press Release

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127.3 POUNDS OF PRESCRIPTIONS COLLECTED

On Saturday, October 25, 2025, the Lake City Police Department proudly participated in the Drug Enforcement Administration's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, successfully collecting 123.7 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, with 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 expressed his appreciation for the community's participation, stating, "Each time our community takes part in Take Back Day, we see the real impact of residents choosing to act responsibly. More than 120 pounds of medications were safely removed from circulation this year, reducing the potential for harm and protecting our community."

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



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