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## Drug Take Back Was Once Again Successful

Residents turned out in large numbers to take advantage of the prescription drug take back event this past Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. A combined total of 168 pounds of expired and unused medications and pills were collected at all three locations. These pills will be turned over to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency for destruction.

Three drop locations were made available to the residents of Union County during the National Take-Back Initiative. The three locations, Richwood Police Department, Pleasant Valley Fire Department, and the Union County Sheriff's Office, were staffed by Law Enforcement Officers, Fire Fighters and Volunteers from 10AM - 2PM on Saturday.

Residents should know that they can dispose of prescription pill medication anytime at the three Rx Drop Box locations in the Richwood and Plain City Police Departments as well as the 24/7 box at the Union County Sheriff's Office.

The next National Drug Take Back day is scheduled for the fall of 2024, however Sheriff Patton would like to encourage residents to take advantage of the Drop boxes throughout the year.

The Union County Sheriff's Office partners with the Drug Enforcement Agency, Memorial Health, Union County Health Department and the Union County Drug Coalition as well as the Plain City and Richwood Police Departments, to make this event possible.

Approval:

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