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DRUG TAKE BACK INITIATIVE

On September 26, 2015 the Ross County Sheriff's Office conducted a Drug Take Initiative. The Sheriff's Office collected over 70 pounds of unused/expired prescription medications. Items collected were turned over to the Drug Enforcement Agency to be properly disposed of.

Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse. Pharmaceutical drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision. The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from friends or family members, usually from a home medicine cabinet. Unused prescription drugs thrown into the trash can may be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs flushed down the sewer system contaminate the water supply.

Sheriff Lavender would like to thank all those individuals who participated in this initiative.