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## **MEDIA RELEASE – APRIL 30, 2019**

### **DEA TAKE BACK DAY IS AN OVERWHELMING SUCCESS IN HUNTERDON**

Hunterdon County Acting Prosecutor Michael J. Williams, Chief of Detectives Frank R. Crisologo, and Hunterdon County Sheriff Fred Brown have announced the results from a joint initiative known as National Take Back Day.

Sponsored by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Take Back Day is a national event that aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications. Hunterdon County's Take Back Day is a collaborative effort involving the Hunterdon County Prosecutor's Office's Narcotic Task Force, Hunterdon County Sheriff's Department, local Police Departments, New Jersey State Police, and the Safe Communities Coalition.

According to Acting Prosecutor Williams, "This weekend Take Back Day resulted in a collection of nearly 1388 lbs. of unwanted prescription drugs from throughout Hunterdon County. The tally was 138 lbs. more than our previous Take Back Day in October 2018. Citizens were able to visit Take Back Day collection sites located at police departments and public buildings to discard their unused and expired medications. I applaud the citizens that came out to help us in our fight against opioid abuse."

According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans need to know that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines (flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash) pose potential safety and health hazards.

The following is a list of the permanent prescription pill drop off boxes in Hunterdon County.

Hunterdon County Justice Center  
65 Park Avenue, Flemington, NJ 08822  
(908) 788-1166  
HOURS: Monday through Friday, 8:30AM-4:30PM

Franklin Township Police Department  
202 Sidney Road, Pittstown, NJ 08867  
(908) 782-9594

Frenchtown Police Department  
27 Second Street, Frenchtown, NJ 08825  
(908) 996-4820

Holland Township Police Department  
61 Church Road, Milford, NJ 08848  
(908) 995-4670  
HOURS: Monday through Friday, 8:00AM-4:00PM

Lambertville Police Department  
349 North Main Street, Lambertville, NJ 08530  
(609) 397-3132

Lebanon Township Police Department  
530 West Hill Road, Glen Gardner 08826  
(908) 638-8516

New Jersey State Police - Kingwood Station  
945 State Highway 12, Frenchtown, NJ 08825  
(908) 996-2864

New Jersey State Police - Perryville Station  
90 State Highway 173, West Hampton, NJ 08827  
(908) 730-3132

Readington Police Department  
507 County Rd 523, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889  
(908) 534-4031

Tewksbury Police Department  
167 Old Turnpike Road, Califon, NJ 07830  
(908) 439-2503  
HOURS: Monday through Friday, 8:00AM-4:00PM

West Amwell Township Police Department  
24 Mt Airy Village Road, Lambertville, NJ 08530  
(609) 397-1100

Washington Township Police Department  
1 East Springtown Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853  
(908) 689-1630

(SEMI-PERMANENT Drop Box)  
Hunterdon County Senior Center  
4 Gauntt Place, Flemington, NJ 08822  
HOURS: 2nd Thursday of the month, from 10am to 11am

For more information visit: <http://njprevent.com/rx-disposal/>

Anonymous tips can be submitted by calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-321-0010, going online at <http://www.CrimeStoppersHunterdon.com>, or through the free "P3 Tips" smartphone app. All tips are anonymous and kept confidential. Crime Stoppers pays cash rewards for valid tips.

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