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### FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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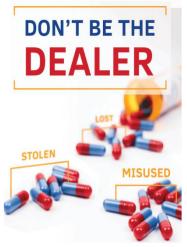
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## **FCSO Encourages Residents to Discard Unused or Expired Medications on National Drug Take Back Day**

Flagler County residents can discard unused or expired medications during the 2021 National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day event scheduled for April 24, 2021 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at four locations across the county. Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Deputies will staff the locations as part of event organized by the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).



# **National Drug Take Back Day**

April 24, 2021 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Discard unused or expired

 FCSO Palm Coast District Office 17 Old Kings Rd N, Palm Coast, FL 32137



- Publix 800 Belle Terre Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL 32164 Publix 4950 Belle Terre Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL 32137
- Publix 250 Palm Coast Pkwy NE #1000, Palm Coast, FL 32137

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medications at these locations!

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The goal of the 2021 National Prescription Drug Take-Back is to address a crucial public safety and public health issue. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs were obtained by family and friends, often from a home medicine cabinet. Drop sites will accept any expired or unwanted prescription, over-the-counter medications, vitamins or herbal remedies as well as veterinary medications. However, hypodermic needles and syringes will not be accepted.

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National Prescription Drug Take-Back sites from will be at the following locations from 10am to 2pm:

- FCSO Palm Coast District Office located at 17 Old Kings Rd N, Palm Coast, FL 32137
- Publix located at 800 Belle Terre Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL 32164
- Publix located at 4950 Belle Terre Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL 32137
- Publix located at 250 Palm Coast Pkwy NE #1000, Palm Coast, FL 32137

Residents can stop by any of the sites, empty the medication from its container into the collection box, and then leave. No personal information is required. After the event, all medications are turned over to the DEA to be properly disposed of to avoid contaminating local landfills or the water supply.

"This event is a very important and necessary opportunity to allow Flagler County residents to clear their homes of unused or expired medications," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "Keeping medications in your possession that you no longer use can be dangerous and result in crimes of opportunity. If you do not need medications, please dispose of them properly and safely by utilizing the FCSO's partnership with National Prescription Drug Take-Back program."

If you cannot attend National Drug Take Back Day location, you can still dispose of unused medications properly. If you have medication that you would like to turn in, please visit <a href="https://takebackday.dea.gov/">https://takebackday.dea.gov/</a> to find a year-round drop-off location near you.

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