

Press Release:

On October 22nd from 10am to 2pm the Polk County Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), will be participating in the 12th annual National Drug Take Back Initiative.

A list of drop sites for the event can be found below:

Polk County residents

Polk County Fairgrounds, Building C
520 S Pacific Hwy W
Rickreall, OR 97371

Monmouth/Independence residents

Polk County Fire District No. 1
1800 Monmouth St, north portion of the parking lot
Independence, OR 97351

In addition to the above drop sites please be aware that the Dallas Police Department (located at 187 SE Court St, Dallas OR, 97338) is a permanent drop site Monday – Friday from 8:00am – Noon & 1:00pm to 5:00pm (<http://www.oracwa.org/documents/UnwanteddrugdropoffsitesOR.pdf>).

- This program is anonymous.
- Controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter substances may be collected.
- Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box.
- If participants plan on leaving their medication in its original container you are encouraged to remove any identifying information from the prescription label by either removing the label or utilizing a permanent marker.
- All solid dosage pharmaceutical products and liquids in consumer containers will be accepted.
- Liquid products, such as cough syrup, must remain sealed in their original container.

*** Intra-venous solutions, injectables, syringes, sharps, chemotherapy medications, or medical waste **WILL NOT** be accepted due to their potential hazard posed by blood-borne pathogens ***