Hoquiam Police Sponsor Another Prescription Drug Take Back Day

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HOQUIAM, Wash. - On Saturday, Sept 29th, 2012 between the hours of 10am and 2pm, the Hoquiam Police Department in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), will be hosting a collection site for the National Take Back Initiative. Last year in the four states of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, we had 157 law enforcement agencies participate and host 202 sites. Over 21,500 pounds of unwanted/unused pharmaceuticals were collected on October 29th

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This program is designed to assist those who wish to dispose of unused/unwanted Pharmaceutical Drugs. Controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter substances will be collected. This program is anonymous and no questions or identification will be requested by law enforcement. Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or may remove the medication from its original container and place them in a disposal box provided at the site. It is recommended the participant remove any identifying information from the prescription label. All solid dosage pharmaceutical products and liquids in consumer containers may be accepted. Liquids should remain in a tightly sealed container. Participants will not be questioned nor will the items taken in be documented by law enforcement.Intra-venous solutions, injectibles, syringes, or medical waste WILL NOT be accepted due to potential hazard posed by blood-borne pathogens.Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not part of the initiative.The Hoquiam site will be located at the front entrance to the HPD building and will be open from 10am till 2pm.