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Woodbridge Police Department Hosts "Operation Prescription Drug Take Back" Sat., Oct. 22, 2016

**WPD Headquarters
Woodbridge Township Municipal Building
10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.**

Residents Encouraged to "Clean-Out Medicine Cabinets" and "Get-Rid-Of" Unused & Expired Prescription Drugs

Woodbridge - The Woodbridge Police Department (WPD) will participate in **"Operation Prescription Drug Take Back Day"** on **Sat., Oct. 22, 2016** from **10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.** at the **WPD Headquarters located at the Woodbridge Municipal Building, One Main Street (lower level).**

"Operation Prescription Drug Take Back Day" is part of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) - New Jersey Division program that encourages Woodbridge Township residents to safely dispose of unwanted, unused, and expired prescription drugs and medicines. A secure "Project Medicine Drop Box" is located in the Main Lobby of the WPD Headquarters, Municipal Building, One Main Street (lower level).

Woodbridge Police Director Robert Hubner noted that prescription drug abuse is the fastest growing drug problem in the region and that law enforcement-sponsored prescription drug and medicine take back events are a useful tool in the effort to reduce the diversion and abuse of prescription medications. Law enforcement investigations have determined that medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse and that individuals that abuse prescription drugs often obtain them from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. The WPD collects expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs that are potentially dangerous if left in the family medicine cabinet.

Woodbridge residents should bring unused and expired prescription drugs (if possible in the original prescription container), powders, pills, liquids, and unused medications (syringes, needles and sharps are not accepted) to the Woodbridge Police Department, Lower Lobby, Town Hall, One Main Street. For more information contact the WPD at 732-634-7700.

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