

# NEWS RELEASE



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## OCTOBER 28, 2023 National Drug Take Back Day

The Garden City Police Department will participate in the Drug Enforcement Agency's (DEA) National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, held on Saturday, October 28, 2023, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The collection center is at Garden City Police Department Headquarters, 349 Stewart Avenue, Garden City. This event provides an opportunity for everyone to discard unwanted, unused, and expired medications safely.

*According to the DEA, Pharmaceutical Drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision. Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.*

The Garden City Police Department also advises they accept unused, expired, and unwanted medications every day if someone cannot turn in their medications on October 28.

Police Commissioner Kenneth Jackson states, "The Garden City Police Department and DEA's Drug Take Back Program allows for the safe disposal of drugs instead of flushing, burying, or throwing them out in the garbage, which poses significant environmental and health risks."