

News Release

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Subject: National Prescription Take Back Event

On October 27, 2018 the METRICH Enforcement Unit along with the Mansfield Division of Police, the Richland County Sheriff's Office, the Bellville Police Department, the Lexington Police Department and the Shelby Police Department participated in the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) National Prescription Take Back Initiative.

In addition to Richland County law enforcement agencies, numerous other law enforcement agencies from the METRICH region also participated. The METRICH region collected 1,947 pounds of unused or expired prescription medication. Community participation and commitment by all law enforcement agencies in the METRICH region was key to the success of this event.

Below is a breakdown of all agencies that participated in this event.

Richland County Agencies:

Mansfield Division of Police-177.2lbs
Richland County Sheriff's Office-83.6lbs
Bellville Police Department-68lbs
Lexington Police Department-40.2lbs
Shelby Police Department-70.8lbs

Ashland County Agencies:

Ashland County Sheriff's Office-320lbs

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Crawford County Agencies:

Crawford County Sheriff's Office-40lbs
Bucyrus Police Department-36lbs
Galion Police Department-77lbs

Hancock County Agencies:

Hancock County Sheriff's Office-57.6lbs

Huron County Agencies:

Norwalk Police Department-49.6lbs
Willard Police Department-47.8lbs
Huron County Sheriff's Office-167lbs

Knox County Agencies:

Mount Vernon Police Department-85.4lbs
Fredricktown Police Department-13.8lbs
Danville Police Department-14lbs

Marion County Agencies:

Marion Police Department/Marion County Sheriff's Office-182lbs

Morrow County Agencies:

Morrow County Sheriff's Office-128.4lbs

Seneca County Agencies:

Seneca County Sheriff's Office-89lbs
Fostoria Police Department-50lbs
Tiffin Police Department-52.6lbs

Wyandot County Agencies:

Wyandot County Sheriff's Office-55lbs
Carey Police Department-3lb
Upper Sandusky Police Department-39lbs

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