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## **Project Rx: A River Remedy Announces Spring Collection Date**

*Community taskforce continues push for proper disposal of unused medicine*

Greenville, S.C. (March 8, 2012) – Project Rx: A River Remedy will hold its fourth drug take-back event on April 28, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., encouraging community members to properly dispose of unused medications.

Project Rx will continue in partnership with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to provide multiple collection sites across the whole Upstate. Interested participants can visit the drive-thru locations:

**McAlister Square** (225 S Pleasantburg Drive)

**St. Francis Downtown Campus** (3 St. Francis Drive)

**Greenville Tech Greer Campus** (2522 Locust Hill Road, Taylors)

More than 20 other drop-off sites will also be available throughout the 11-county DEA district. Full location details are continually updated at [www.rewaonline.org/locations/](http://www.rewaonline.org/locations/).

The collection sites offer FREE and ANONYMOUS acceptance of unwanted or expired prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, vitamins & supplements, and veterinary medicine. **Sharps or syringes will not be accepted.**

Event managers ask that participants use a black sharpie marker to eliminate any personal information on prescription medication labels, but to **leave the name of the drug visible** to ensure proper disposal procedures.

The Project Rx community taskforce is led by a community collaboration of Bon Secours St. Francis Health System, Greenville County Sheriff's Office, Greenville Family Partnership, Greenville Technical College, and Renewable Water Resources.

The Project Rx event was originally launched in November 2010, and held subsequent take-back events in June and October 2011. The collection efforts to date have resulted in a combined 2,513 lbs of unwanted medication that was properly disposed of by local law enforcement through incineration.

New and continuing supporting organizations include Carolinas Institute for Community Policing, Greenville County Medical Society, Greenville Journal, The Greenville News, Greenville Water, Indexx, SC Pharmacy Association, Senior Action, Upstate Forever, Upstate Parent and Whole Foods Market. These organizations support the Project Rx event with financial contributions and in-kind services.

For more information, visit the Project Rx website, [www.aRiverRemedy.org](http://www.aRiverRemedy.org) or call 864-467-4099.

**Project Rx: A River Remedy**

Project Rx: A River Remedy is a local collaboration of community organizations united to help keep our rivers and residents safe from unused medications. Founded in 2010, Project Rx pulls together multiple community resources to hold take-back events semi-annually. As a safe alternative to flushing unwanted medications down the drain, or leaving them at home within the reach of the wrong hands, this program allows Upstate residents to bring prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, vitamins and supplements for a FREE and SAFE disposal... the perfect remedy for our community.

**Renewable Water Resources (ReWa)**

ReWa's goal is to promote a cleaner environment, and to protect the public health and water quality of the Upstate waterways, while providing and developing the necessary sewer infrastructure for the growing economy. ReWa serves more than 400,000 industrial, commercial and residential customers in Greenville County and parts of Anderson, Spartanburg, Pickens and Laurens Counties.

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