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Project Rx: A River Remedy Announces Fall Collection Date

Community taskforce continues push for proper disposal of unused medicine

Greenville, S.C. (August 21, 2012) – Project Rx: A River Remedy will hold its fifth drug take-back event on September 29, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., encouraging community members to properly dispose of unused medications.

Project Rx continues in partnership with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) providing multiple collection sites across the entire Upstate. Interested participants can visit the Greenville drive-thru locations:

Greenville County Medical Society -1395 South Church Street
McAlister Square - 225 South Pleasantburg Drive
ST FRANCIS millennium near CU-ICAR - 2 Innovation Drive

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.ariverremedy.org/locations/.

The collection sites offer FREE and ANONYMOUS acceptance of unwanted or expired prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, vitamins & supplements, and veterinary medicine from **households only**. **Sharps or syringes will not be accepted.** Participants should leave the name of the drug visible on medication labels and use a black permanent marker to eliminate any personal information.

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.

Project Rx was originally launched in November 2010, and to date the events have collected a combined 5,537 lbs of unwanted medication which was properly disposed of through incineration by local law enforcement.

Supporting organizations include Carolinas Institute for Community Policing, Greenville County Medical Society, Greenville Journal, The Greenville News, Greenville Water, Indexx, Presbyterian College, SC

Pharmacy Association, 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 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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