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Project Rx Announces Fall Collection Date

Community organizations team up to encourage proper drug disposal



Greenville, S.C. (July 23, 2013) – Project Rx: A River Remedy will hold its seventh semi-annual drug take-back event on **Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** This is an opportunity for community members to properly dispose of their unused or unwanted medications.

Project Rx continues its partnership with the **U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)** providing multiple collection sites across the Upstate. Project Rx has two drive-thru locations in Greenville:

- **McAlister Square** - 225 South Pleasantburg Drive
- **ST. FRANCIS Millennium** – 2 Innovation Drive

The collection sites offer **FREE and ANONYMOUS** acceptance of unwanted or expired prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, vitamins and supplements, and veterinary medications from households. Participants are advised to leave the name of the drug visible on the medication labels and use a black permanent marker to eliminate any personal information.

The Project Rx taskforce is led by a community collaboration of **Bon Secours ST. FRANCIS Health System, Carolina's Institute for Community Policing, Greenville County Medical Society, Greenville County Sheriff's Office, Greenville Family Partnership, Renewable Water Resources (ReWa), the DEA, and Greenville Journal.**

“People commonly dispose of their old or unwanted medications through flushing or pouring down the drain, which allows the medication to disrupt the balance in our local waterways,” said **Stacey Flax, Customer Service and Contracts Manager for ReWa.** “It is important that we continue to educate our community on this problem and push for the proper changes of how we handle medication disposal in an effort to prevent misuse and protect our water supply for the long-term,” she said.

For more information, visit the Project Rx website- www.aRiverRemedy.org, Facebook page- www.facebook.com/ariverremedy 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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