

## National Prescription Drug Take Back Day



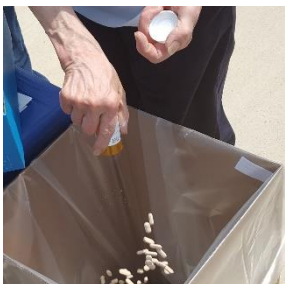
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The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day addresses a crucial public safety and public health issue. According to the 2019 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 9.7 million people misused prescription pain relievers, 4.9 million people misused prescription stimulants and 5.9 million people misused prescription tranquilizers or sedative in 2019. The survey also showed that a majority of misused prescription drugs were obtained from family and friends, often from the home medicine cabinet.

The DEA's Take Back Day events provide an opportunity for Americans to prevent drug addiction and overdose deaths.

### Collection Site Locator:

[https://takebackday.dea.gov/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMI3sbOgvOR8AIVDYvICh3logn2EAAYASAAEglzUfD\\_BwE](https://takebackday.dea.gov/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMI3sbOgvOR8AIVDYvICh3logn2EAAYASAAEglzUfD_BwE)



### Results: October 2020 19th National Take Back

- Total Law Enforcement Participation: **4,153**
- Total Collection Sites: **4,587**
- Total Weight Collected: **985,392 lbs. (492.7 Tons)**