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## OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET: DISPOSE OF EXPIRED OR UNUSED PRESCRIPTIONS

**Clearwater, Fla.** - The Clearwater Police Department in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and the Pinellas County Diversion Task Force Coalition as well as other law enforcement agencies and partnering businesses is participating in another installment of "Operation Medicine Cabinet." The event is an opportunity for citizens to safely discard unused or expired prescription medications, with no questions asked. The multi-agency effort is aimed at addressing the problem of prescription drug abuse and keeping a clean environment.

Citizens can stop by **Westfield Countryside Mall** (Sears side) on **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and drop off their medications for safe collection and disposal. Please be aware that no bio-hazards or needles will be accepted and that the program is intended for private citizens of Pinellas County and not for commercial use. There are a total of 15 drop-off locations in Pinellas County. For a complete listing, visit <http://tinyurl.com/4y2sm6j>.

Operation Medicine Cabinet provides a safe way of destroying the pharmaceuticals through incineration. By burning the pharmaceuticals as opposed to flushing or sending the medication to the landfill, polluting the environment can be avoided.

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