



**MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ROBERT L. CROWDER, SHERIFF**

DISPOSE OF OUTDATED & UNWANTED PRESCRIPTIONS

August 23, 2011—On Saturday, August 27, 2011, the Martin County Sheriff's Office will take part in a statewide effort to remove potentially dangerous prescription drugs from our homes. The National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI) is coordinating the effort, allowing the public to surrender unused, unwanted or expired medications with no questions asked. Law Enforcement Officers will man the collection points and turn in the drugs for destruction.

The abuse of prescription medications is a national crisis. The residential medicine cabinet has become a prime target for burglars, thieves and even teenagers looking to experiment with controlled substances. Remove the temptation. Bring your unwanted prescription medications to the local drop-off locations.

For residents that that are unable to visit these locations, please contact the Martin County Health Department for further instructions on proper disposal. Do not flush medications down the drain or toilet because the chemicals can pollute the water supply. Also, remove any personal, identifiable information from empty prescription bottles or pill packages before you throw them away.

Please note: These sites are NOT for the disposal of biohazardous materials such as used needles or lancets. No liquids please.

When: Saturday, August 27, 2011 -- 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Where: Walgreens (Cove Rd. & US1), 5800 SE Federal Highway, Stuart
Walgreens, 1250 Jensen Beach Blvd., Jensen Beach

For more information regarding these events, contact Sergeant George Herrschaft at 772 220-7160 or gherrs@sheriff.martin.fl.us

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