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### **Inland Empire Utilities Agency Supports National Prescription Drug Take Back Day**

**Inland Empire, CA** – The Drug Enforcement Administration marks Saturday, April 30 as National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., facilities throughout the region will be collecting expired, unused, or unwanted prescription medications throughout the community. **Services provided are FREE and anonymous with no questions asked.**

#### **Local Take Back Sites:**

- Chino – Police Department, Front Lobby – 5450 Guardian Way, Chino, 91710
- Chino Hills – Sheriff Station, 14077 Peyton Drive, Chino Hills, 91709
- Fontana – Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy, First Floor, 9961 Sierra Avenue, Fontana 92335
- Montclair – Please check DEA website for nearest location – [https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\\_disposal/takeback/](https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/)
- Ontario – Police Department, Front Lobby – 2500 S. Archibald Avenue, Ontario, 91761
- Rancho Cucamonga – Police Department, 10510 Civic Center Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, 91730
- Upland – CVS Pharmacy, 100 Foothill Boulevard, Upland, 91786

For additional information on available collection sites and year-round drug disposal locations, please visit [https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\\_disposal/takeback/](https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/)

“Pharmaceutical chemicals can pose potential threats to the community when they are improperly disposed of in the trash or down the drain,” stated IEUA Board President, Steve Elie. “National Prescription Drug Take Back Day educates the public on the importance of safe disposal for unused, unwanted, or expired medications to protect the environment and our water-ways from harmful substances.”

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency supports the “No Drugs Down the Drain” campaign and its efforts to educate the public about the harmful effects of flushing unused, unwanted, and expired medications down our sewer systems. This program provides safe and proper disposal choices that protects the environment and local water supplies for the community. To learn more about the safe disposal of unused medication, please visit <https://www.nodrugsdownthedrain.org/nodrugs/>

“As an environmental steward to the region, IEUA is dedicated to protecting our local water supply and the Chino Basin region by taking part in the solution to educate the public and protect public health by encouraging the community to properly dispose of their unwanted medications,” continued Elie.

*The Inland Empire Utilities Agency covers 242-square miles, distributes imported water, provides industrial/municipal wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services to more than 875,000 people through its customer agencies which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, and Upland. [www.ieua.org](http://www.ieua.org)*