

## **METRICH: Drug Take Back event nets nearly 180 pounds of prescription drugs in Richland County**

The METRICH region collected over 1,385 pounds of unused or expired prescription/medication during its recent Drug Take Back event that encompassed a 10-county region.

In Richland County, nearly 180 pounds was collected by five agencies, including the Mansfield Police Department (89.9 pounds), the Richland County Sheriff's Office (29 pounds), the Shelby Police Department (23.8 pounds), the Lexington Police Department (20 pounds) and the Plymouth Police Department (17 pounds).



The METRICH Enforcement Unit along with the Mansfield Division of Police, the Richland County Sheriff's Office, the Shelby Police Department, Lexington Police Department, Plymouth Police Department, Community Action for Capable Youth (CACY), Richland County Solid Waste Authority, Richland Public Health, and the Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board, participated in the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) National Prescription Take Back Initiative.

In addition to Richland County law enforcement agencies, numerous other law enforcement agencies from the METRICH region also participated.

Community participation and commitment by all law enforcement agencies in the METRICH region was key to the success of this event.

Below is a breakdown of all agencies that participated in this event.

### **Ashland County**

Ashland County Sheriff's Office 157 lbs.

### **Crawford County**

Bucyrus Police Department 91.4 lbs.

Galion Police Department 90.5 lbs.

Crawford County Sheriff's Office 74.8 lbs.

**Hancock County**

Hancock County Sheriff's Office 87 lbs.

**Huron County**

Norwalk Police Department 75.2 lbs.

**Knox County**

Fredericktown Police Department 29.5 lbs.

Mt. Vernon Police Department 84.4 lbs.

Knox County Sheriff's Office/Centerburg 24 lbs.

**Marion County**

Marion County Sheriff's Office / Marion Police Department 154.4 lbs.

**Morrow County**

Morrow County Sheriff's Office 140.04 lbs.

Cardington Police Department 5.14 lbs.

**Richland County**

Mansfield Police Department 89.8 lbs.

Richland County Sheriff's Office 29 lbs.

Shelby Police Department 23.8 lbs.

Lexington Police Department 20 lbs.

Plymouth Police Department 17 lbs.

**Seneca County**

Fostoria Police Department 17.07 lbs.

Tiffin Police Department 41.8 lbs.

Seneca County Sheriff's Office 52.2 lbs.

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