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More than 35,000 Pounds of Unwanted Prescription Drugs Collected in Nebraska at Take-Back Events to Date

LINCOLN - Attorney General Jon Bruning and Nebraska State Patrol Superintendent Colonel David Sankey announced more than 7,000 lbs. of unwanted medication was collected at take-back sites across the state including 556 lbs. from five sites coordinated by the Attorney General's Office and the Nebraska State Patrol. Nationwide Prescription Drug Take-Back Day was October 26, 2013.

“The amount of unwanted medication collected shows this program provides a valuable service,” said Col. Sankey. “We want to thank the citizens who are helping to keep these types of medications out of the wrong hands by disposing of them in this manner.”

At six national take-back events since May 2011, the Attorney General's Office and partner law enforcement agencies have collected a total of 4,145 lbs. of unwanted drugs in coordination with the DEA. Statewide, 35,381 lbs. have been collected at sites during the national events.

“In the wrong hands, prescription drugs can have deadly

consequences,” said Bruning. “Take-back events provide an opportunity for Nebraskans to dispose of potentially dangerous drugs before they can become part of the problem. We’re proud to be part of the effort to keep Nebraskans safe.”

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