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Residents turn in 10,912 sharps and 45lbs of medications

FREDERICK, MD -- On Saturday, June 21st, the Frederick County Health Department (FCHD) partnered with the Brunswick Police Department to host a drug disposal event. Over three hours, residents turned in over 45 pounds of unwanted or expired medication and 10,912 sharps.

The event in Brunswick was the second drug disposal event of the year. In late April, over 100 residents turned in almost 200 pounds of unwanted or expired medication and 10,000 sharps at two collection sites.

“We are thankful for our partnership with the Brunswick Police Department for their support of this disposal event and being able to host the event,” said Andrea Walker, Director & Chief Public Health Strategist within the Behavioral Health Services Division of the Frederick County Health Department. “This cooperation helps to ensure all areas within Frederick County have access to safe disposal options of unwanted or expired medications.”

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For residents who were unable to attend the events and still have medication to get throw away, the following locations accept unwanted or expired pills and medicinal patches year-round:

- Brunswick Police Department – 811 West Potomac Street, Brunswick
- Emmitsburg Community Center – 300 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg
- Frederick Co. Law Enforcement Center – 110 Airport Drive East, Frederick
- Middletown Municipal Center – 301 Main Street, Middletown
- Myersville Municipal Center – 31 West Main Street, Myersville
- Thurmont Police Department – 800 East Main Street, Thurmont

For additional medication disposal locations and more information about the dangers of prescription medicine misuse, please visit Health.FrederickCountyMD.gov/OMPP or contact the Frederick County Health Department at 301-600-1755.

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