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MedReturn Box Available for Use in Springfield

Residents can help keep our local waterways clean by properly disposing of unwanted or expired medications.

In honor of Earth Day, the Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission (MWMC) and the City of Springfield remind residents to properly dispose of unwanted or expired medications at the MedReturn Box located in the lobby of the Springfield Justice Center.

Use of the boxes helps reduce avoidable poisonings of pets and children, reduces prescription drug abuse and helps keep our local waterways clean. Residents can drop medications off Monday through Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Please no liquids, creams, thermometers or illegal drugs of any kind. The MedReturn box is for use by residents only. Private clinics or hospitals may not deposit medications into the box.

What: MedReturn Drop Box

Where: Springfield Justice Center, 230 4th Street, Springfield

When: Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm

Background: Research shows that pharmaceutical compounds exist at trace levels in our environment. Wastewater treatment plants and septic systems are not designed to remove these compounds from wastewater. Unwanted or expired medications should not be flushed down a drain or toilet.

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