



Office of the District Attorney, Alameda County  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

#### **Alameda County DA's Office Participates in Nationwide Event**

#### **TOMORROW IS NATIONAL DRUG TAKE BACK DAY**

**WHAT:** The public is encouraged to bring any unused, unwanted and/or expired prescription or over the counter medication for free, confidential and safe disposal.

**WHO:** The Alameda County District Attorney's Office, in partnership with the US Drug Enforcement Administration, is participating in **National Drug Take Back Day**.

**The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.**

**WHEN:** **Tomorrow - Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 10AM – 2PM**

**WHERE:** **Oakland:**  
Alameda County Family Justice Center  
470 27th Street  
Oakland, CA

**Fremont:**  
Fremont Hall of Justice  
39439 Paseo Padre Parkway  
Fremont, CA

**Pleasanton:**  
Gale-Schenone Hall of Justice/Courthouse  
5672 Stoneridge Drive # D  
Pleasanton, CA

**Alameda:**  
George E. McDonald Hall of Justice/Courthouse  
2233 Shoreline Drive  
Alameda, CA

**WHY:** The public will have an opportunity to rid their homes of potentially-dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription and over-the-counter drugs, thereby

helping to prevent prescription drug abuse and theft. This can also include unused pet medication.

“We encourage every citizen to inspect his or her home to identify expired, unwanted and unused medications – both prescription and over the counter,” states District Attorney Nancy E. O’Malley.

“The safe disposal of these drugs serves a vital public safety and public health need. This is a critical step in reducing the alarmingly high rates of prescription drug abuse and addiction in our community.”

Safe disposal of over-the-counter and prescription medication is vital to prevent the misuse of these substances, and to end the harmful environmental impacts of disposing of them in landfill or through our water system.

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