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## Unwanted Medication Collection on Saturday, October 26

**Who:** The Knoxville Police Department along with the Knox County and City of

Knoxville Solid Waste Offices, the Knox County Health Department and other members of the East Tennessee Regional Medication Collection

Coalition

**What:** Properly dispose of old or unwanted prescription medications or over-the-

counter medicines

When: Saturday, Oct. 26

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Where:** Krutch Park Extension – Downtown Knoxville

525 S. Gay St. (across from the downtown movie theater)

## **Background:**

*KNOXVILLE, Tenn.* (*Oct.* 21, 2013) – Members of the East Tennessee Regional Medication Collection Coalition will be on hand to collect and properly dispose of unwanted medicines Saturday, Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Krutch Park Extension across from the downtown movie theater on Gay Street.

This event will be held in conjunction with Knoxville's America Recycles Day Event. The empty plastic and paper medicine containers will be recycled if left with event organizers.

Medicines can **only** be dropped off at this location during the event. At all other times, Knox County residents can bring old or unused medicines to the Knoxville Police Department Safety Building at 800 Howard Baker Jr. Ave. The Safety Building is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

This event is sponsored by: the Knoxville Police Department, Knox County and City of Knoxville Solid Waste Offices, Knox County Health Department, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, UT Academy of Student Pharmacists, KUB, Hallsdale-Powell Utility District and the Metropolitan Drug Commission. Other partners include: Region's Bank, Calhoun's and WUOT.

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