



MEDIA ADVISORY

OFFICE OF COUNTY MAYOR TIM BURCHETT

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Properly dispose of unwanted medication this weekend

- 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 drugs or over-the-counter medications
- When:** Friday, Jan. 31 and Saturday, Feb. 1
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Where:** Healthy Living Expo
Knoxville Convention Center
701 Henley Street

Background:

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (Jan. 27, 2014) – Members of the East Tennessee Regional Medication Collection Coalition will be on hand to collect and properly dispose of unwanted medicines Friday, Jan. 31 and Saturday, Feb. 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the Healthy Living Expo at the Knoxville Convention Center, 701 Henley Street.

Those who drop off medication at the event will receive one free ticket to the Healthy Living Expo.

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.

The collection 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, Metropolitan Drug Commission and the Healthy Living Expo.

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