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Inland Empire Utilities Agency Supports National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

*Agency Actively Supports National Effort to Safeguard Wastewater Treatment and Public Health
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Inland Empire, CA – The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) proudly supports the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. On Saturday, October 26, from 10 AM to 2 PM, facilities in IEUA's service area will open their doors to receive unwanted, unused, and expired prescription medications. This effort plays an essential role in protecting our water systems and environment. **The service is FREE and anonymous. No questions asked.**

The "No Drugs Down the Drain" campaign, initiated by the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts, raises awareness of improper medication disposal methods—whether flushed, poured down drains, or thrown away— and how it can lead to contamination of our water supplies. This initiative serves as a reminder that individual actions, such as disposing of medications properly, are vital to protecting public health and ensuring a clean, safe water supply for the community. To learn more about the "No Drugs Down the Drain" campaign and safe disposal methods, please visit <http://www.nodrugsdowndrain.org> or www.dea.gov/takebackday.

The following is a partial list of local drop-off locations:

- Chino – CVS Pharmacy, 12101 Central Avenue, Chino, 91710
- Chino Hills - Sheriff Station, 14077 Peyton Drive, Chino Hills, 91709
- Fontana – Kaiser Permanente Pharmacy, First Floor, 9961 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, 92335
- Montclair – CVS Pharmacy, 4535 Holt Boulevard, Montclair, 91763
- Ontario - Police Department, Front Lobby - 2500 S. Archibald Avenue, Ontario, 91761
- Rancho Cucamonga – Police Department, 10510 Civic Center Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, 91730
- Upland – CVS Pharmacy, 100 Foothill Boulevard, Upland, 91786

For more information on available locations, please visit <https://www.dea.gov/takebackday#collection-locator>

For information on year-round drug disposal locations, please visit <https://apps2.dea.gov/pubdispsearch/spring/main?execution=e1s1>

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The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA/Agency) is an innovative, forward-thinking Agency serving 242-square miles in western San Bernardino County. The Agency is committed to supporting the needs of its service area and safeguarding public health through its significant investments in developing a diversified water supply portfolio, developing reliable municipal/industrial wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services in a regionally planned and cost-effective manner. IEUA's mission ensures long-term success for the region and its customer agencies

which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, San Antonio Water Company, Upland, and West Valley Water District.