Dump the Drugs on April 30th at One of Seven Locations Throughout the County

A Dump the Drugs event will be held on Saturday, April 30th, at seven locations throughout the county, including: Cottonwood, Sedona, Camp Verde, Clarkdale, Prescott, Prescott Valley, and Chino Valley. MATFORCE and area law enforcement are sponsoring the event in association with the National Prescription Drug Take-Back Campaign to help reduce prescription drug abuse.

Across the nation 78 people die each day from opioid overdose with prescription pain relievers being the driving force behind those deaths, according to the CDC. Proper disposal saves lives. Disposing of unwanted medication keeps these potentially dangerous drugs from getting into the wrong hands. Safe disposal also keeps medications from getting into our water systems.

Doug Bartosh, Cottonwood City Manager and MATFORCE Co-Chair, said, “MATFORCE and local law enforcement have worked together on Dump the Drugs events for the past seven years. These events give people a safe and anonymous opportunity to dispose of unwanted medications. The many thousands of pounds collected have directly helped reduce prescription drug abuse throughout Yavapai County.”

In the Verde Valley, prescription and over-the-counter medications can be dropped off between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM at the following locations: Sedona Police Department at 102 Roadrunner Drive; Cottonwood Police Department, 199 S. 6th Street; the Camp Verde Marshal’s Office at 646 S. First Street; and the Clarkdale Police Department at 49 N. Ninth Street.

In the greater Prescott area, prescription and over-the-counter medications can be dropped off between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM at the following locations: Prescott Police Department, 222 S. Marina; Prescott Valley Police Department, 7601 E. Civic Circle; and the Chino Valley Police Department, 1950 Voss Drive.

MATFORCE encourages everyone to Dump the Drugs on April 30th by looking through their medicine cabinet for expired or unwanted medication and bringing it to one the seven drop-off locations. For more information call 928-708-0100 or visit the MATFORCE website at matforce.org.

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Photo Caption: Dump the Drugs on April 30th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at one of seven locations countywide.