



**BUFFALO GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
*STEVEN R. CASSTEVENS, CHIEF OF POLICE*  
46 Raupp Boulevard, Buffalo Grove, IL 60089  
Non-Emergency: 847.459.2560



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
October 23, 2017

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:**  
Deputy Chief Michael Szos  
847-459-2560  
pdpio@vbg.org

## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Buffalo Grove Police Department and DEA Collecting Expired or Unneeded Prescription Drugs**

**Buffalo Grove, IL** - The Buffalo Grove Police Department and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) have partnered to host the last official prescription drug collection event of 2017.

Expired or unneeded prescription drugs can be dropped off on Saturday, October 28, 2017 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., at the Buffalo Grove Police Department, 46 Raupp Boulevard, in Buffalo Grove. The agency will have a green mailbox in the station's lobby, where residents may conveniently and responsibly drop off prescriptions that are no longer need. As a reminder, the green mailbox is permanently located in the police department lobby which provides year-round accessibility.

In April of 2017, there were 146 drug collection sites in Illinois available for the take back day; those sites collected 43,408 lbs. of old and unused drugs. Nationwide, Illinois ranked in the top five states for drug collection, behind only California, Texas and Wisconsin. Buffalo Grove police currently collect approximately 20 lbs. of drugs a week and around 1,000 lbs. each year.

For more information, please visit [https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\\_disposal/takeback/](https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/) or contact the Buffalo Grove Police Department at 847-459-2560.

###