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NEWS RELEASE

“Pills Can Kill” Spring Collection nets over 90,000 dosage units

Saturday March 24th 2012 Carteret County law enforcement officers collected 92,896 dosage units of medication from Carteret County citizens.

Deputies and Police Officers set up collection sites at all five Food Lion locations.

The “Pills can Kill” program is a partnership between local law enforcement agencies, area substance abuse task forces and the Food Lion Corporation.



Well over half a million dosage units of medication have been voluntarily turned in for disposal since the program began in the fall of 2008. “Since we started this program a tremendous amount of medication has been turned in and disposed of that otherwise would still be in many of the homes throughout our community which could fall into the wrong hands. This program continues to reduce access and availability” said Sheriff Buck.

On behalf of Carteret County law enforcement Sheriff Asa Buck thanks Food Lion Corporation for allowing the use of their stores as collection sites and all who have participated in this program. The Sheriff would especially like to thank the citizens.

“People in our County understand that we have serious issues with diversion and misuse of prescription medication and they are working with us to make things better; they deserve the credit for the success of the “Pills Can Kill” program” said Sheriff Buck.

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