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**Another Prescription Drug Take Back at
Leeward Community College
Leeward Discovery Fair/Celebrate Safe Communities Day
Saturday, November 4, 2017**

HONOLULU – The Department of the Attorney General in partnership with the Department of Public Safety Narcotics Enforcement Division has scheduled another prescription drug take back at the **Leeward Discovery Fair/Celebrate Safe Communities Day on Saturday, November 4, 2017 at Leeward Community College, Parking Lot, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

This service is free and anonymous – no questions asked. Tablets, capsules, and all other solid dosage forms of medication will be accepted. New or used needles and syringes will not be accepted. You do not need to empty out your pills from the containers or remove the labels off the bottles. Everything will be disposed of in a safe and environmentally friendly manner.

“Last week we collected more than 2,700 pounds of unused prescription drugs. Safe disposal is good for the environment and good for public safety,” said **Attorney General Douglas Chin**.

Take advantage of this last opportunity in 2017 to rid your home of expired and unused prescriptions drugs.

Unused or expired medicine should be disposed of properly when it is no longer needed for the illness for which it was prescribed.

- Medicines may lose their effectiveness after the expiration date.
- Improper use of prescription drugs can be as dangerous as illegal drug use.

Having unused or expired medicine in your home increases the risk of accidental poisoning.

- Homes where children or the elderly live are especially vulnerable to this danger.

- People may mistake one type of medicine for another type. Children may mistake medicine for candy.

Unused or expired medicine should not be thrown in the trash or flushed down the toilet.

- Proper disposal helps reduce the risk of prescription drugs entering a human water supply or potentially harming aquatic life.

For more information, please visit www.ag.hawaii.gov.

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LEEWARD **discovery** **fair**

*Fun for the
Entire Family!*

Featuring
**Celebrate
Safe Communities**

Keiki IDs • Canine Demonstrations
Medication Take Back

(bring your unused or expired medication for safe disposal)

**Interactive
Exploration
for Children!**

Discover • Explore • Create

Meet McGruff the Crime Dog
Free McGruff Totebag while supplies last

Saturday, November 4, 2017

9:00am - 3:00pm

Free Admission & Parking

Leeward Community College Pearl City Campus

PLANT SALES • DELICIOUS FOOD • HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES • MAKE & TAKE CRAFTS • BOOK GIVEAWAYS!



DISCOVERY FAIR presented by Leeward Community College.

CELEBRATE SAFE COMMUNITIES presented by the U.S. Attorney's Office-District of Hawai'i in partnership with the Department of the Attorney General, Crime Prevention and Justice Assistance Division; Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Office the Securities Commissioner; Honolulu Police Department; and Weed and Seed Hawai'i.

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