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PILL COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL PROGRAM

The Village of Glencoe, the Glencoe Department of Public Safety, and Save A Star Drug Awareness Foundation have partnered up and launched a new pill disposal and collection program. The purpose of this program is to collect and safely dispose of unwanted and unused medications, thus keeping them out of the hands of individuals who might otherwise become victims of prescription drug abuse.

The pill collection unit is located in the Glencoe Police Department located at 325 Hazel Avenue.

The following items **are acceptable** for disposal:

- Prescription medications, including controlled substances
- All over-the counter medications
- Medication samples
- Pet medications
- Vitamins and supplements
- Medicated ointments, lotions, creams, and oils
- Liquid medication in leak-proof containers
- Homeopathic remedies

Items **not acceptable** for deposit in the collection unit are:

- Needles/sharps
- Syringes with needles
- Thermometers
- IV bags
- Bloody or infectious waste
- Personal care products
- Empty containers
- Hydrogen Peroxide

Save A Star Drug Awareness Foundation was founded by David and Gail Katz and their daughter Melissa following the death of David and Gail's son, Daniel from a prescription drug overdose. Save a Star Drug Awareness Foundation is a registered 501(c)3 public charity, whose mission is to fight the current epidemic of prescription drug abuse that threatens the lives of our nation's youth. Save A Star program includes direct educational presentations to schools, communities, and private organizations, advertising campaigns, and pill collection and disposal programs. Save A Star has also partnered with the DEA Educational Foundation and is working on a traveling educational exhibit called the "Rx Factor", designed to reach millions across the country.

If you'd like more information about Save A Star Drug Awareness Foundation, visit their website at www.SAVEASTAR.org or call 847-579-1300 x 153.

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