

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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**SUBJECT:** Update on the Safe Drug Disposal/Pharmaceutical Return Program

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept informational report from staff

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**SUMMARY:** The Board of Supervisors approved the Marin County Safe Drug Disposal Ordinance ("Ordinance") on August 11, 2015. The Ordinance added Chapter 7.90 to the Marin County Code requiring drug producers to participate in an approved drug stewardship program for the collection and disposal of unwanted drugs from residential sources. This report and the presentation to the Board are to provide information on the implementation of the stewardship plan for the collection and disposal of unwanted drugs from Marin County residents. Other than accepting the report, no formal action by the Board is being requested.

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The Pharmaceutical Product Stewardship Work Group, a group of pharmaceutical producers selling drugs in Marin County, established MED-Project LLC to represent their interests in complying with the Ordinance. MED-Project is the Stewardship Organization responsible for the submittal and implementation of a single stewardship plan covering all of the pharmaceutical companies doing business in Marin. MED-Project represents almost 400 pharmaceutical producers.


The stewardship plan is required to demonstrate how the producer collects and dispose of unwanted drugs, educate the public and promote the collection program, host collection events, and provide mail-back envelopes and services to residents who cannot travel easily. The stewardship plan was approved by County staff and implemented in late July 2017.

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