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GNWPCD Collects More Than 350 Pounds of Pharmaceuticals at Shed the Meds

Great Neck, N.Y. (October 25, 2019)—The Great Neck Water Pollution Control District recently hosted its second Shed the Meds event of the year as it welcomed more than 150 local residents and collected over 350 pounds of pharmaceuticals. The event marked the District’s second Shed the Meds event of the year, bringing its yearly total of collected medications up to 950 pounds.

“Once again the community came out in force to bring their expired and unused medications down to the District to dispose of them in a proper manner,” said Great Neck Water Pollution Control District Commissioner Patty Katz. “The constant stream of cars passing through our makeshift drive-thru is a testament to the community’s environmentally-conscious residents and the momentum that this program has gained since its inception in 2017.”

The biannual event, hosted in partnership with Reach Out America, Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition, North Shore Action, Nassau County Police, Northwell Health and the Key Club at Great Neck North High School, aims at protecting local water sources and raising awareness of the dangers of flushing pharmaceuticals down the toilet.

“The District will continue to host this event and spearhead other initiatives focused on protecting the local environment for future generations,” said Great Neck Water Pollution Control District Commissioner Jerry Landsberg.

The Sheds the Meds events will continue to be hosted in the spring and fall. In between events, the District offers residents free pharmaceutical disposal kits that can be used throughout the year at the District’s headquarters: 236 East Shore Road.

For additional information and updates about the Great Neck Water Pollution Control District, visit the website at www.gnwpcd.net to sign up for email newsletters or call the office at 516-482-0238.

About the GNWPCD

The Great Neck Water Pollution Control District (GNWPCD) is a special commissioner-run district within the Town of North Hempstead. The GNWPCD has provided sewage services for the Great Neck area since 1914, and currently serves more than 25,000 residents and businesses in the villages of Great Neck, Saddle Rock, Kensington, and those parts of Thomaston and Great Neck Plaza east of Middle Neck Road; as well as all unincorporated areas north of the Long Island Rail Road and a part of Manhasset. The GNWPCD’s mission is to protect our bay, the environment and the health of our society.

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Photo 1: Nassau County Executive Laura Curran (third from left) joins Great Neck Water Pollution Control District Commissioner Patty Katz (second from left), Commissioner Jerry Landsberg (third from right), Commissioner Steve Reiter (second from right), Superintendent Christopher Murphy (right) and Reach Out America Rita Hall President Rita Hall (left) at the District's recent Shed the Meds event.

Photo 2: Great Neck Water Pollution Control District Commissioner Jerry Landsberg, Commissioner Steve Reiter and Commissioner Patty Katz collect pharmaceuticals from Town Councilwoman Veronica Lurvey at the District's recent Shed the Meds event.

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