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SUBJ: **PRESS RELEASE by Sheriff Joe Lester**
Prescription Drug Round-up planned Saturday

Citizens are urged to clean out their medicine cabinets and bring any expired or unwanted medications to the Prescription Drug Round-up from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the following businesses:

- Homeland, 10700 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Oklahoma City
- Homeland, 1251 Alameda Street in Norman
- Homeland, 2600 W. Robinson Street, Norman
- Crest Foods, 1315 N. Eastern Ave., Moore

Deputies will collect prescriptions at these sites. Once medications are gathered, they will be taken to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation and destroyed.

Sheriff Joe Lester established the drug round-up program in 2009 to help people rid their homes of old or excess amounts of medications. Prescription drug abuse can cause serious illness or even death.

Lester said the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office is committed to programs that address prescription drug abuse and support ways to eradicate the problem.

"Each round-up gives people a chance to throw out medications they no longer need without them ending up in the wrong hands," Lester said.

Round-ups are sponsored quarterly.

Any questions regarding this press release and/or information can be addressed to Meghan McCormick, Cleveland County Sheriff's Office, community liaison/public information officer. McCormick can be reached at (405) 701-8847.