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### **DRUG DISCOUNT CARD STILL AVAILABLE: SUCCESSFUL WILL COUNTY PROGRAM SAVING CONSUMERS MONEY**

**JOLIET** — Statistics compiled by the National Association of Counties (NACo) confirm that Will County's longstanding drug discount program is helping area residents save thousands of dollars.

Will County teamed with NACo to launch a discount card program in December, 2008. The free prescription discount card is widely available to all county residents, and can be used to save an average of 24 per cent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs.

NACo cards are accepted at many Will County pharmacies and are also honored by a national pharmaceutical network featuring more than 59,000 retail locations. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee, or limits on frequency of use.

A total of 475 program participants used the NACo card to purchase 1,153 prescriptions during July, 2010. Card users saved \$9,365.22, or an average of \$8.12 per purchase.

"The NACo cards are still widely available at many locations throughout the county, and they remain a popular option for consumers looking to save money on drug purchases," according to Will County Health Department Executive Director John Cicero. "The card offers significant savings for the uninsured and under-insured residents of our county. And, even those fortunate enough to have prescription coverage can use the card to save money on drugs not covered by their health plan."

NACo discount cards can be picked up at Health Department locations in Joliet, Bolingbrook, and University Park. The cards are also available through many other local units of government. County residents can also print out their own card by visiting [www.caremark.com/naco](http://www.caremark.com/naco).

More than 8,000 county residents have used the NACo card at least once. During the first 20 months of program activity, county residents saved \$156,936.00 on 17,880 purchases.

For more information about the NACo drug discount card, telephone 877-321-2652, or 815-727-8480. You may also visit [www.caremark.com/naco](http://www.caremark.com/naco), or [www.willcountyhealth.org](http://www.willcountyhealth.org) for more information.



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