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## **Arapahoe County Prescription Drug Discount Program widely used** *County residents take advantage of free discount cards to save money on prescription drugs*

**Littleton, Colo.** --- During the first four months since the introduction of the Arapahoe County free prescription drug discount program, county residents filled 754 prescriptions with the cards at discounts averaging 17.4 percent savings or \$15.51 per prescription.

Arapahoe County launched the program to help consumers cope with the high price of prescription drugs. The County is making the free prescription drug discount cards available under a program sponsored by the National Association of Counties.

“So far 611 residents have used the card and statistics show that more individuals are using the card each month,” said Arapahoe County Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld. “Our partnerships with cities and non-profit organizations are helping us get the cards into the hands of folks who need them most, and they continue to ask for more.”

Best of all, there is no cost to county taxpayers for NACo and Arapahoe County to make these money saving cards available to our residents.

The cards may be used by all county residents, regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage, and are accepted at more than 90 percent of the county’s pharmacies. A national network of more than 59,000 participating retail pharmacies also honors the Arapahoe County Prescription Drug Discount Card.

Cards are available at many Arapahoe County offices as well as other locations throughout the county. Visit [www.co.arapahoe.co.us](http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us) and click on the “Free discount cards” in the *What’s New* section for specific locations. County residents can call toll free 1-877-321-2652 or visit [www.caremark.com/naco](http://www.caremark.com/naco) for assistance with the program.

“Using the NACo prescription discount card is easy,” added Commissioner Bockenfeld. “Simply present it at a participating pharmacy. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on frequency of use. Cardholders and their family members may use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance.”

The program is administered by Caremark Rx, Inc.

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