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The Town of Waynesville today launched a program to help provide residents with some relief from the high cost of prescription drugs. The town is making free prescription discount cards available to town residents through a program sponsored by the National League of Cities (NLC). The discount cards offer town residents average savings of 20 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed medications.

The discount cards may be used by all residents of the Town of Waynesville and have no restrictions based on the resident's age, income level, or existing health coverage. The discount card benefits not only those without insurance, but can also be used by underinsured residents to obtain prescriptions that are excluded from health benefit plans. The NLC card can be used when purchasing prescription drugs at approximately five pharmacies around the town, as well as at more than 60,000 participating retail pharmacies across the country.

"In the current economic climate, where many people are watching what they spend, the Town of Waynesville is happy to partner with the National League of Cities to make this prescription discount card available for our residents," said Mrs. Langston. "Whether or not an individual has prescription coverage, this program can make it easier for our residents to afford the medications they need to deal with a short-term illness or stay healthy by managing a chronic condition."

Cards can be printed from the Internet at www.caremark.com/nlc and are available at the Municipal Building located at 16 South Main Street in Waynesville, and all other town facilities, at no cost to town residents. Town residents can visit www.caremark.com/nlc to access program tools or call toll-free 1-888-620-1749 for assistance with the program.

"Not only does the NLC prescription discount card help residents save money on their medications, it is easy to use," said Mrs. Langston. "Town of Waynesville residents only have to show their card when purchasing medication at one of the many participating pharmacies. There is no enrollment form required to get a card, no membership fee of any kind and town residents and their family members can use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance." The discount card program is administered by CVS Caremark.

About the National League of Cities

The National League of Cities (NLC) is the nation's oldest and largest organization devoted to strengthening and promoting cities as centers of opportunity, leadership and governance. NLC is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans. To learn more about NLC, go to www.nlc.org.