



Warren- Clinton Drug and Strategic Operations Task Force

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On Thursday, October 14th, the Warren-Clinton Drug Task Force, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation executed search warrants, seizure warrants, and arrested five individuals involved in major drug trafficking in southern Ohio. This case represents the first High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Southern Ohio major case. Warrants and arrests were made in Middletown and Huber Heights, Ohio.

Arrested are the following charged with Conspiracy to Distribute Controlled Substances:

1. Juan Angel Saenz Jr., 1846 Yankee Rd. Middletown, Ohio
2. Juan Manuel Paredes, 3781 Countryside Village, Medway, Ohio
3. Jose Manuel Hernandez, Dayton, Ohio
4. Samuel Hernandez, Dayton, Ohio
5. Jhonnatan Torres Arroyo, Apodaca Nuevo Leon, Mexico

Officers seized 10 ½ kilograms (23.1 pounds) of cocaine and 30 pounds of marijuana, with an estimated street value of over \$1 million dollars. In addition, six (6) motor vehicles were seized, numerous firearms, and over \$86,000 in U.S. Currency. In addition, \$26,000 was seized in counterfeit bills.

The investigating agencies received outstanding assistance from the Middletown Police Department, Butler County Sheriff's Office, The Combined Agencies for Narcotics Enforcement (CANE) drug task force, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and the Huber Heights Police Department.

Due to the cooperation of these agencies, an international drug trafficking enterprise has been severely disrupted, resulting in a significant reduction in the flow of illegal drugs into southern Ohio.

Commander John Burke