

METRICH searches five homes, targets 52 suspects

Members of the METRICH Task Force searched five houses Wednesday— including one on Bowman Street and another on Louise Avenue — as law enforcement officials targeted 52 suspects during Operation Summer Drug Sweep.

At least 29 suspects were nabbed on Wednesday, officials said. Six were already incarcerated on charges relating to drug trafficking and drug possession.

Lt. Joe Petrycki, commander of METRICH, Wednesday afternoon said the day-long drug indictment effort and searches have resulted in recovery of several weapons, more than \$3,000 and suspected heroin, cocaine and marijuana.

The 52 suspects were indicted by a Richland County grand jury on 112 counts of drug trafficking and other related charges.

Mansfield Police Chief Ken Coontz said, "The entire effort was getting the guns, getting the drug dealers and going after certain members of the 5 Block Gang."

"This effort was put together by Secret Service, U.S. Marshals, FBI and all of the local law enforcement agencies within Richland County and this is a continuation of our focus and deterrence effort to focus on violent members in our community."

METRICH detectives filed charges on six people after serving the search warrants:

According to a METRICH news release, Eric Toddie Jr., 24, last known address 647 Sackman St., was charged with having weapons under disability, a third-degree felony; and receiving stolen property, a fourth-degree felony.

- Terriuntae Hammock, 23, last known address 192 Rowland Ave., was charged with possession of heroin, a second-degree felony; and receiving stolen property, a fourth-degree felony.
- Travis Coffee-Curry, 24, last known address 579 Springmill St., was charged with possession of heroin, a second-degree felony; and receiving stolen property, a fourth-degree felony.
- Shannica Black, 27, last known address, 1267 S. Weyant Ave., Columbus, was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Tramodi Jackson, 41, 631 Heritage Trail, Apt. D, was charged with having weapons under disability, a third-degree felony; and possession of cocaine, a second-degree felony.
- Jaquis T. Mordica, 25, of Gary, Indiana, was charged with having weapons under disability, a third-degree felony.

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