Multi-agency blitz yields arrests, drugs

An area interdiction blitz conducted by several agencies yielded drug and cash seizures and arrests throughout Findlay and Hancock County.

On Wednesday, the Hancock County METRICH Drug Task Force, Findlay Police Department, Hancock County Sheriff's Office, Ohio State Highway Patrol and U.S. Customs and Border Protection conducted the blitz, targeting drug trafficking and use in the area.

In a news release, Detective Sgt. Brian Dill said 59 traffic stops were made Wednesday.

The blitz yielded 15 citations, three felony arrests, three misdemeanor arrests, two arrest warrants and five vehicle searches. Also, 10 pounds of marijuana, one gram of fentanyl and \$100,000 were seized Wednesday.

It was the first operation locally to involve the Family Resource Center, to include a prevention and treatment aspect for those in the community struggling with addiction or substance use disorder.

"Our hope is to connect them to treatment and resources as soon as possible," Dill said.

The blitz is one of several multi-agency events planned for the area and part of numerous scheduled around the state.

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