

140 guns, meth, \$81K seized in Wyandot County raid

A U.S. Marshals fugitive operation in Wyandot County led to two arrests and the seizure of more than 140 firearms, over 2 pounds of suspected methamphetamine and more than \$81,000 in cash, according to the Wyandot County Major Crimes Unit.



The U.S. Marshals requested help from the Wyandot County Major Crimes Unit/METRICH Enforcement Unit and the Wyandot County Sheriff's Office on Thursday, July 9, to locate James D. Fisher, who was wanted on an outstanding warrant out of Huron County. Investigators identified a home at 16368 State Highway 231 in Nevada as the place where Fisher was believed to be staying.

With assistance from the Wyandot County Sheriff's Office and the Ohio State Highway Patrol Special Response Team, the Marshals carried out the operation at the residence and took Fisher into custody.

While speaking with people inside the home, investigators learned that firearms and suspected illegal narcotics were on the property, according to the release. Detectives also determined that James E. McDaniels was barred from legally possessing or having access to firearms. Based on that information, investigators obtained a search warrant for the residence.

During the search, deputies and detectives recovered more than 2 pounds of suspected methamphetamine, \$81,263 in cash and more than 140 firearms, the release said.



McDaniels was arrested and charged with aggravated possession of drugs and having weapons while under disability. The suspected narcotics will be sent to a laboratory for analysis, and additional charges will be submitted to the Wyandot County Prosecutor's Office for review, authorities said.

The Wyandot County Major Crimes Unit, U.S. Marshals Service, Wyandot County Sheriff's Office and Ohio State Highway Patrol all took part in the investigation.

Wyandot County Sheriff Todd Frey encouraged residents to report suspicious activity through the Wyandot County Sheriff's Office app, the METRICH app or by contacting their local law enforcement agency. Anonymous tips are accepted.

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