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OPD Drug & Gun Seizures: Mid-Year Totals

Between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2023, the Owensboro Police Department has worked tirelessly to make our community a safer place. Our focus has been, and continues to be, on large-scale illegal drug organizations that are targeting our citizens, along with individuals involved in gun-related crime. During the first six months of the year, Officers and Detectives with the Owensboro Police Department have conducted numerous investigations related to these crimes. The investigations have resulted in a combined seizure of over 80 firearms, over 27 pounds of Methamphetamine, over 16,000 Fentanyl pills, nearly 2 pounds of Cocaine, over 1 ounce of Heroin, and approximately 300 Ecstasy pills. Additionally, Detectives have obtained 15 Federal Indictments stemming from their ongoing drug and firearms investigations.

Although these investigations and the resulting seizures only reflect a portion of what officers do on a daily basis; they do indicate the challenges our community faces in combating drug addiction, violence, and the underlying crimes that are rooted in substance abuse. The Officers and Detectives of the Owensboro Police Department along with our Federal partners will continue to focus on preventing the distribution of deadly controlled substances by large-scale drug organizations that are targeting our citizens.