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OPD Drug & Gun Seizures: End-Year Totals

Between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023, the Owensboro Police Department has worked diligently to enhance the safety of the community by focusing on large-scale illegal drug organizations and individuals involved in gun-related crime. During the year 2023, the department conducted numerous investigations related to these crimes. These investigations have resulted in a combined seizure of 183 firearms, over 36 pounds of Methamphetamine, over 98,000 Fentanyl pills, over 2.4 pounds of Cocaine, over 1.5 pounds of Heroin, and approximately 300 Ecstasy pills. Additionally, Detectives have obtained 22 Federal Indictments stemming from their ongoing drug and firearms investigations.

These investigations and the resulting seizures only reflect a portion of what officers do on a daily basis. The Officers and Detectives of the Owensboro Police Department, in collaboration with our Federal partners, are committed to addressing the challenges posed by drug addiction, violence, and the underlying crimes that are rooted in substance abuse. We will continue our efforts to prevent the distribution of deadly controlled substances by large-scale drug organizations that are targeting our citizens.