

## SOUTH CENTRAL OHIO MAJOR CRIMES UNIT

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Multi-Agency Operation Yields Narcotics Arrests and Alcohol Violations in Fairfield County

On June 27, 2025, the South-Central Ohio Major Crimes Unit—working in partnership with the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office, Lancaster Police Department, Pickerington Police Department, Pickaway County Sheriff's Office, Logan Police Department, and the Ohio Investigative Unit—conducted a focused interdiction operation in Violet Township, Walnut Township, and Liberty Township, all located within Fairfield County.

As part of the operation, officers executed 47 traffic stops, which led to:

8 arrests for narcotics-related offenses

Seizure of approximately 84.75 grams of illegal narcotics

2 establishments, out of 17 compliance checks conducted, were charged with underage alcohol sales by the Ohio Investigative Unit.

1 individual arrested by the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office for failing to register as a sex offender out of 29 compliance checks.

This operation reflects the continued success of regional law enforcement collaboration aimed at reducing drug trafficking, underage alcohol sales, and other criminal activity that threatens public safety.

The South-Central Ohio Major Crimes Unit is a HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) Task Force comprised of the following agencies:

Fairfield County Sheriff's Office
Lancaster Police Department
Logan Police Department
Pickaway County Sheriff's Office
Ohio University Police Department
Ohio National Guard Counter Drug Program
Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Ohio Department of Public Safety's Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center
Fairfield, Hocking, and Pickaway County Prosecutor's Offices

Community members are encouraged to report suspicious activity by contacting their local law enforcement agency or the Major Crimes Unit directly at (740) 653-5224. All tips can remain anonymous.