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PART 2 - CPD LOOKS TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS FROM "CHITTEST"

On Saturday, April 17, 2021, many people gathered on Chittenden Avenue in the off-campus area near Ohio State University to participate in the block party referred to as "Chittfest". During the course of the party, many people participated in illegal activities that included vandalism, criminal damaging and criminal mischief. If you were at Chittfest or know of anyone who participated in these crimes (examples: property destruction, fires, or any other inappropriate conduct), we are asking for your help.

With community assistance, Columbus Police was recently able to identify and charge 16 people. Today we are asking for community assistance in identifying additional persons of interest connected to illegal activities tied to "Chittfest."

We are partnering with Central Ohio Crime Stoppers to help identify any individuals engaging in this behavior. Please share your anonymous tips with Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at 614-461-TIPS (8477)



