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Columbus Division of Police Conducts Part 6 of "Operation Unity"

Officers focused on neighborhoods in Driving Park and the Short North

On Friday, September 23, 2022, in response to violent crime trends and complaints, the Columbus Division of Police completed the sixth "Operation Unity," a collaboration of law enforcement and social services working together in specific neighborhoods of the city. Focusing on Driving Park and the Short North, patrol officers, criminal intelligence units, major crimes detectives, SWAT, drug crimes units, traffic operations units, and other local and statewide partners served search warrants and initiated targeted enforcement designed to specifically address violent offenders, recover firearms, and confiscate illegal narcotics.

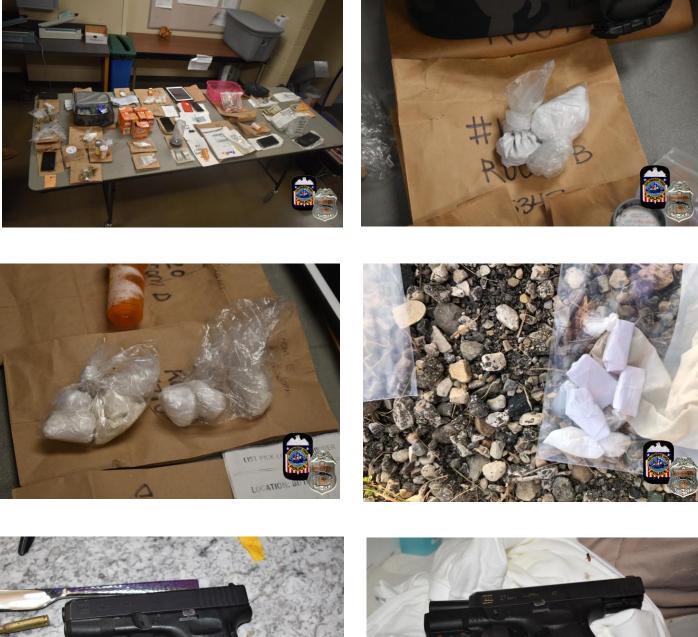
Officers worked strategically directed patrol operations in these neighborhoods from 6 a.m. on Friday, September 23, 2022, to 4 a.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022. The result of this collaborative operation resulted in the following:

- 10 Felony Arrests
- 32 Total Arrests
- 33 Vehicles Impounded
- 15 Illegal Guns Recovered
- 11 Search Warrants Served
- 7 Arrest Warrants Served
- 5 Liquor Citations Issued
- 114 Grams of Cocaine Seized
- 95 Grams of Fentanyl Seized
- 9 Grams of Methamphetamine Seized
- \$44,863 Approximate Street Value of Suspected Drugs Recovered
- \$3,151 Cash Seized
- 159 Traffic Stops
 - o 281 Citations Issued, 27 Driving without a License, 2 OVI Arrests

The Columbus Division of Police would like to thank the Columbus City Attorney's Office, City of Columbus Code Enforcement, Columbus Public Health, Ohio Investigative Unit, Rapid Response Emergency Addiction Crisis Team, and many others for making this a successful joint operation.



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