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Columbus Division of Police Conducts “Operation Unity” *Officers focused on Zone 5 neighborhoods in parts of south Columbus*

In response to violent crime trends and complaints, the Columbus Division of Police completed its first “Operation Unity,” of 2024, a collaboration of law enforcement and social services working together in specific neighborhoods of the city. This operation took place in Hungarian Village, Vassor Village, Deshler Park, South Side, Southern Orchards, Old Oaks, Livingston Park, Olde Towne East, and other neighborhoods within Zone 5. 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 specifically to address violent offenders, recover firearms, and confiscate illegal narcotics.

This operation took place on Thursday, February 8, 2024 and resulted in the following:

- 18 Felony Arrests
- 16 Arrest Warrants Served
- 1 Firearms Recovered
- 1 Stolen Vehicles Recovered
- 59 Grams of Fentanyl Seized
- 5 Grams of Cocaine Seized
- 252 Traffic Stops
 - 172 Traffic Citations Issued
 - 52 Driving without a License
 - 2 Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence
- 147 Parking Citations Issued
- 65 Vehicles Impounded

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