



SIX NATIONS POLICE DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

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- **Home to approximately 15,000 residents with a total of approximately 27,000 registered band members**
- **Approximately 183.20 square km**
- **Borders the towns of Hagersville, Caledonia and the City of Brantford.**
- **Close Proximity to Toronto, Hamilton, London, Kitchener, Cambridge and Waterloo**



FUNDING FOR THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

2017 – The Six Nations Community Fund was used to cover the start-up costs for the Drug Enforcement Unit.

2018 – Recognizing the need for dedicated drug enforcement in the Six Nations community, and due to the lack of available government funding, Six Nations Elected Council agreed to fund the creation of a full-time Drug Enforcement Unit moving forward.



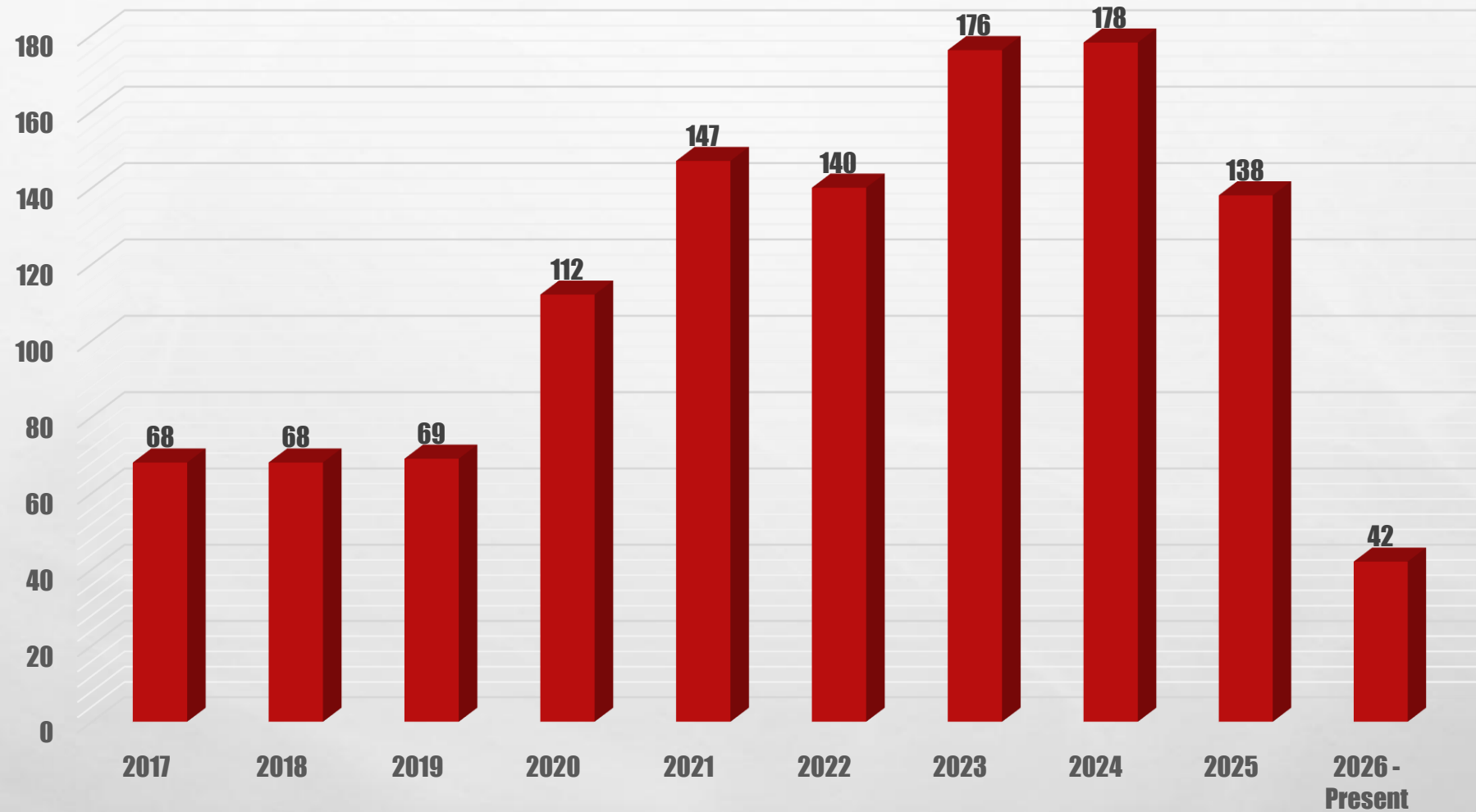
HOW ARE WE TACKLING THE DRUG/GUN PROBLEM?

- DURING THE INITIAL STARTUP PHASE OF THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT (DEU), OFFICERS HAD LIMITED EXPERIENCE CONDUCTING DRUG INVESTIGATIONS. AS A RESULT, THE MAJORITY OF WARRANT EXECUTIONS FOCUSED ON LOWER-LEVEL LOCAL DEALERS, MANY OF WHOM WOULD CONTINUE THE CYCLE OF DRUG TRAFFICKING FOLLOWING ENFORCEMENT ACTION.
- SINCE 2021, THE DEU HAS SHIFTED ITS FOCUS TOWARD TARGETING SUPPLIER-LEVEL DRUG TRAFFICKERS. THIS STRATEGIC APPROACH HAS EXPANDED ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS BEYOND THE SIX NATIONS COMMUNITY. OVER THE PAST YEAR, THE DEU HAS EXECUTED DRUG WARRANTS IN BRANTFORD, GRIMSBY, HAMILTON, HAGERSVILLE, AND NEW CREDIT.
- THE DEU HAS ALSO DEVELOPED STRONG WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICE AND THE ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE. THESE PARTNERSHIPS HAVE SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCED OPERATIONAL CAPACITY BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, PERSONNEL, AND INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT.
- ADDITIONALLY, NETWORKING THROUGH NUMEROUS CONFERENCES AND SPECIALIZED TRAINING COURSES HAS ALLOWED INVESTIGATORS TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS ACROSS CANADA, WHICH HAS PROVEN VALUABLE IN SUPPORTING AND ADVANCING MULTIPLE INVESTIGATIONS.





Six Nations Police Drug Related Occurrences





- **PROJECT CHANCE (2022)**

6-MONTH DRUG/FIREARM INVESTIGATION THAT LED TO THE SEIZURE OF OVER \$26,000 IN ILLICIT DRUGS AND 60 FIREARMS SEIZED. THIS INVESTIGATION LATER LED TO THE ARREST OF TWO ACCUSED WHO WERE CHARGED WITH FIRST DEGREE MURDER (ONGOING)

PROJECT REUNION

A nine-month investigation targeting a Brantford-based drug supplier responsible for supplying dealers within the Six Nations community resulted in the execution of 15 search warrants across Six Nations, Brantford, and Port Dover.

As a result of the investigation, police seized:

- 18 firearms and thousands of rounds of ammunition
- 6.7 kilograms of methamphetamine
- 2.4 kilograms of fentanyl
- 2 kilograms of cocaine
- Approximately \$78,000 CAD in currency
- Over \$200,000 worth of jewelry, including a Rolex watch, diamond necklaces, and diamond bracelets

The accused was ultimately sentenced to nine years in prison. As part of the proceeds of crime forfeiture, the accused was ordered to sell a townhouse, with approximately \$180,000 in profits forfeited to the Crown. In addition, approximately \$70,000 of the seized currency and the Rolex watch were also forfeited.

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More than \$1.5M in drugs and guns seized, 3 arrested after investigation into drug trafficking in Six Nations

Six Nations Police say the seizure 'is the most significant' ever made in the area

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Six Nations Police Service, Ontario Provincial Police and Brantford Police Service executed 15 search warrants on Thursday, July 14, following a nine-month investigation labelled Project Reunion into illicit drugs being trafficked on Six Nations of the Grand River and surrounding areas. (Submitted by Six Nations Police)

PROJECT MENACE

Project Menace marked the first Joint Forces Operation (JFO) conducted between the Six Nations Police Drug Enforcement Unit and the Brantford Police Service Drug Unit.

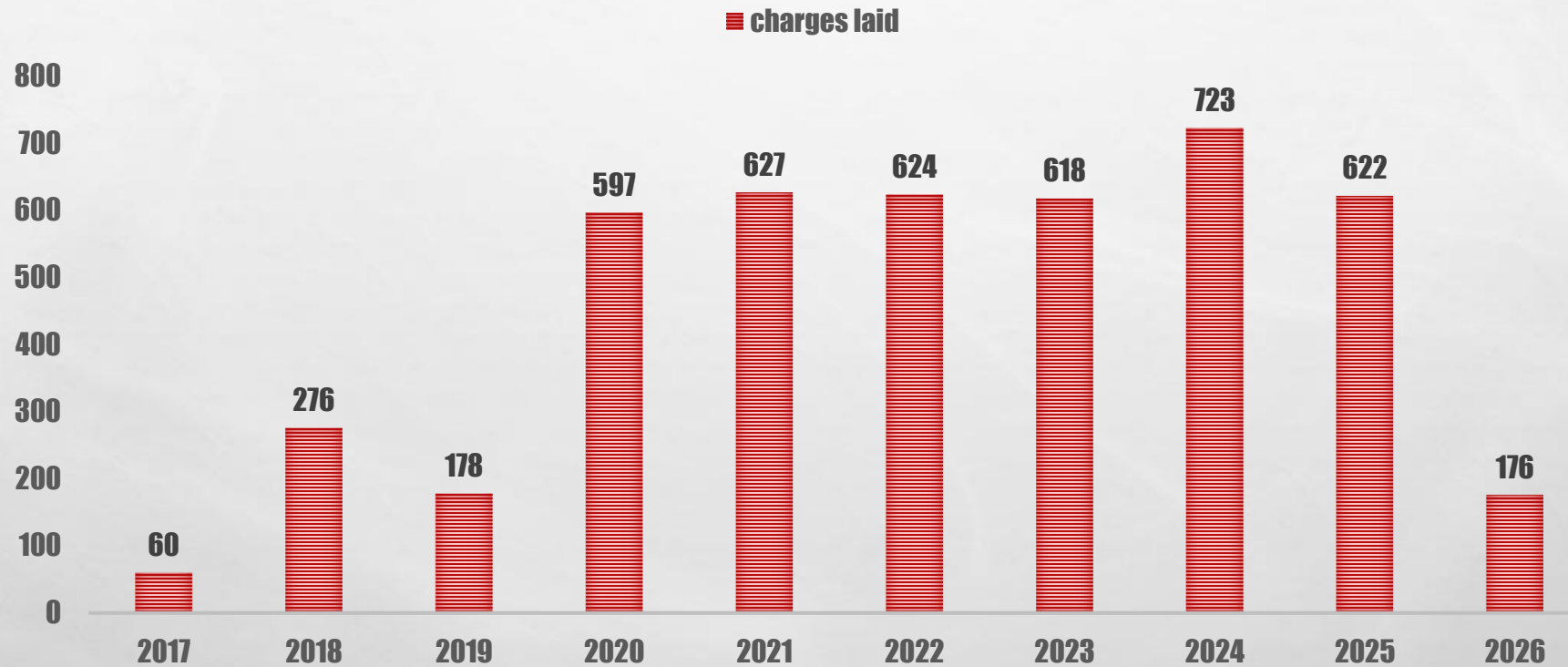
This three-month drug investigation resulted in the seizure of two handguns, high-end jewelry, and more than \$1 million worth of illicit drugs, the majority of which consisted of fentanyl and methamphetamine.

The success of Project Reunion established a strong and ongoing working relationship between both drug enforcement units, enhancing future investigative collaboration and resource sharing.





DEU 2017 - 2026



DEU STATISTICS FOR 2025



- 18 CRIMINAL CODE/CDSA SEARCH WARRANTS EXECUTED
- 622 CHARGES LAID
- 8 FIREARMS SEIZED (5 HANDGUNS)
- \$88,981 CANADIAN CURRENCY SEIZED
- 1078 GRAMS OF FENTANYL SEIZED WITH A STREET VALUE OF \$431,360
- 2.4 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE SEIZED WITH A STREET VALUE OF \$240,000 ****539,000 POTENTIAL DEADLY DOSES****
- \$30,000 STREET VALUE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS SEIZED (OXYCODONE, HYDROMORPHONE)
- 27 WANTED PERSONS ARRESTED
- 20 STOLEN VEHICLES RECOVERED
- 1 SUSPECTED DRUG OVERDOSE DEATH



PROJECT MATRIX

3-DAY INVESTIGATION INTO GTA DEALERS SUPPLYING SIX NATIONS AND BRANTFORD. LED TO THE SEIZURE OF 400 GRAMS OF FENTANYL, THOUSANDS OF PRESCRIPTION PILLS AND MULTIPLE FIREARMS.

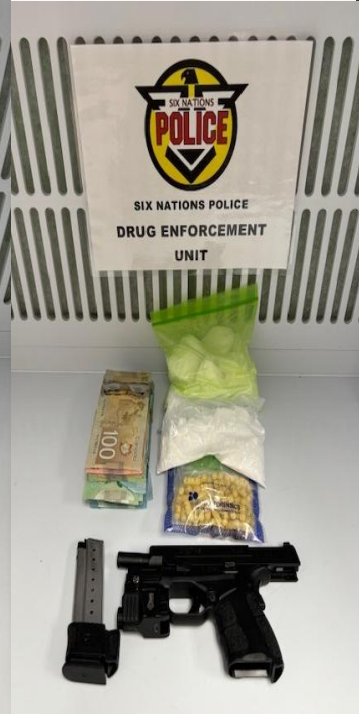
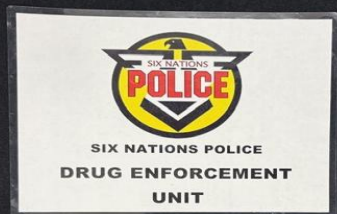
TWO-DAY DRUG INVESTIGATION LEADS TO SEIZURE OF FIREARM AND DRUGS



INFORMATION THAT TWO SIX NATIONS COMMUNITY MEMBERS TRAFFICKING LARGE AMOUNT OF FENTANYL. INVESTIGATION REVEALED ONE SUSPECT TO HAVE OUTSTANDING WARRANT, ARREST LED TO SEIZURE OF BULK FENTANYL, HANDGUN WITH EXTENDED AMMUNITION CLIP. DEU OBTAINED SEARCH WARRANTS FOR DWELLING AND VEHICLE LOCATING ADDITIONAL FENTANYL.

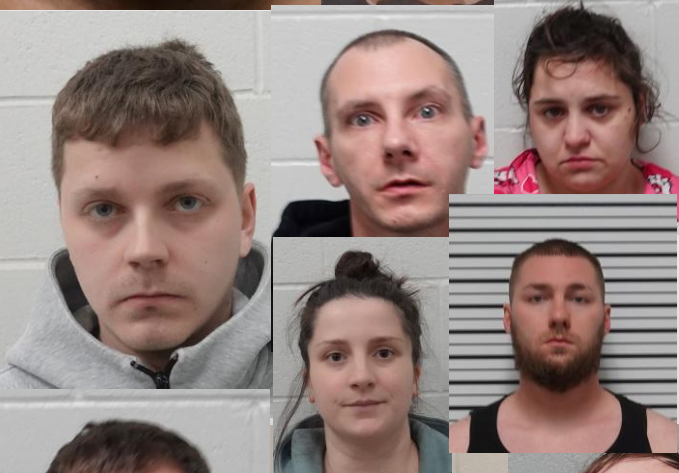


DRUG SEIZURES





RECENTLY ARRESTED ON SIX NATIONS FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING – COMMON THEME NOT ONE IS A BAND MEMBER



CHALLENGES FACED BY THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

RURAL ENVIRONMENT

THE RURAL NATURE OF THE SIX NATIONS TERRITORY CREATES SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES FOR COVERT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS. CONDUCTING SURVEILLANCE WITHOUT BEING DETECTED IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STATIC SURVEILLANCE ARE VERY LIMITED. IN ADDITION, INCONSISTENT CELL PHONE AND RADIO COVERAGE IN CERTAIN AREAS CAN HINDER COMMUNICATION BETWEEN OFFICERS DURING ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS.

SURVEILLANCE RESOURCES

EFFECTIVE MOBILE SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS GENERALLY REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF FIVE OFFICERS AND VEHICLES TO AVOID DETECTION AND SAFELY MAINTAIN COVERAGE ON A TARGET. MANY POLICE SERVICES WILL NOT CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITH FEWER THAN FIVE PERSONNEL. AS OF 2025, THE DEU CONSISTS OF FOUR OFFICERS, REQUIRING INVESTIGATORS TO WORK WITH LIMITED RESOURCES. WHILE OPERATIONS ARE OFTEN SUCCESSFUL, THERE ARE OCCASIONS WHERE SURVEILLANCE IS COMPROMISED, WHICH CAN DELAY OR NEGATIVELY IMPACT ONGOING DRUG INVESTIGATIONS.

SURVEILLANCE VEHICLES

THE DEU ATTEMPTS TO AVOID USING SURVEILLANCE VEHICLES DURING ARRESTS OR WARRANT EXECUTIONS. ONCE A VEHICLE BECOMES RECOGNIZABLE WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, ITS EFFECTIVENESS FOR FUTURE COVERT SURVEILLANCE IS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED. POLICING WITHIN A SMALL COMMUNITY PRESENTS UNIQUE CHALLENGES, AS OFFICERS AND POLICE VEHICLES ARE FREQUENTLY RECOGNIZED BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

OUTSIDE DRUG TRAFFICKERS

THE DEU HAS OBSERVED AN INCREASING NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS FROM THE BRANTFORD AREA AND THE GREATER TORONTO AREA TARGETING THE SIX NATIONS COMMUNITY FOR DRUG DISTRIBUTION. ONE OF THE PRIMARY REASONS IS THE INCREASED PROFITABILITY OF ILLICIT DRUG SALES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. FOR EXAMPLE, A QUANTITY OF 0.1 GRAMS OF ILLICIT DRUGS THAT MAY SELL FOR APPROXIMATELY \$10 IN A LARGER URBAN CENTRE CAN SELL FOR \$30-\$40 WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY, CREATING A STRONG FINANCIAL INCENTIVE FOR OUTSIDE TRAFFICKERS.





KEY TO DEU SUCCESS? INFORMATION !





INFORMATION SHARING

Hey Rob;

I am notifying you of the results for the investigation into Dane GOODWIN (tabbed Project Verdin) from the fall of 2022 to January 2023.

A media release will be following on our end in the coming days.

During surveillance of GOODWIN investigators were able to identify persons and locations believed to be involved in the supply net for GOODWIN. As a result of the observations 10 search warrants were executed on their residences and vehicles which results in the following seizures:

- 1) Zhong ZHANG – Toronto
 - a. 6.69 Kg – Fentanyl
 - b. 10.1 Kg – Meth
 - c. 6.08 kg – Cocaine
 - d. 2.02 kg – Heroin
 - e. 1.03 kg – Benzocaine
 - f. 21.9 grams – Etizolam
 - g. Approx. \$90,000 cash – awaiting count from asset forfeiture
- 2) Kevin NYGUGEN – Toronto
 - a. 1.25 kg – cocaine
 - b. Handgun and ammo
- 3) Anthony BORGES – Toronto
 - a. 1.47 kg – fentanyl
 - b. 350 grams – cocaine
 - c. 780 grams – meth
 - d. 59 – Percocet Pills
 - e. 2 handguns, ammo and extended magazine
 - f. Approx \$70,000 cash - awaiting count from asset forfeiture
- 4) Dane GOODWIN – Scarborough / Oshawa
 - a. Shotgun Ammo – charged with weapons prohibition offences.

DRPS DEU would like to thank you for the information that provided amazing results. If you need the full charge list let me know as others were charged but I have provided you the names of the main subject of the investigation.

Thanks again Rob
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