

# PRESS RELEASE

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## Search Warrant

On Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 1208 hours, Ashland City Police Detectives, Ashland METRICH Narcotic Detectives and uniform officers executed a search warrant at 343 Sandusky Street reference to an investigation, which began in December of 2008.

The investigation revealed that the occupants of the residence were manufacturing and trafficking in drugs. A large amount of evidence was seized from the residence relating to the manufacturing of Psilocybin Mushrooms, which is a Federal DEA Schedule I hallucinogenic controlled substance.

Evidence from all stages of the manufacturing process was recovered as part of the warrant, including the mushroom spore to the finished product, which was weighed and packaged to sell. The street value of the finished product is approximately \$1,400.00 and the mushrooms that were current growing, would have produced thousands of dollars of finished product.

Two suspects were named in this investigation however; no arrests were made at this time pending lab analysis and a Grand Jury Indictment.

METRICH is a ten county decentralized task force in North Central Ohio whose mission is to improve the quality of life for the citizens we serve by reducing the availability of illegal drugs and weapons through proactive enforcement efforts. The success of METRICH is a tribute to the cooperation and support within the Law Enforcement Community in the METRICH region and to those citizens who have chosen to improve the quality of life in their communities by assisting METRICH in reporting suspicious activity and valuable information.

**Citizens may report suspicious activity to the crime hot lines at:**  
1-800-589-DARE and [www.METRICH.com](http://www.METRICH.com)

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