

# Man sentenced on drug charges

A Toledo man was sentenced Thursday to four years in prison for drug trafficking and possession in Hancock County.

Juan J. Rivera, 34, previously pleaded guilty to a first-degree felony charge of cocaine possession, a third-degree felony count of marijuana possession, and third- and fourth-degree felony charges of cocaine trafficking.

He was found with between 27 and 100 grams of cocaine, and between 1 and 5 kilograms of marijuana on Oct. 11, 2012, at 208 Madison Ave. in Findlay.

On Aug. 6 of the same year, Rivera sold between 5 and 10 grams of cocaine within 1,000 feet of Glenwood Middle School. Two months later, he sold fewer than 5 grams of cocaine near the school.

Hancock County Common Pleas Judge Joseph Niemeyer ordered Rivera to make restitution of \$450 to the Hancock County METRICH Drug Task Force, and to forfeit about \$5,300 that was found on him at the time of his arrest.

Originally published in the Courier on January 24, 2014.



Juan Rivera leaves Hancock County courtroom after he was sentenced to four years in prison for cocaine trafficking.