

Three arrested in Tiffin drug bust

On Wednesday, January 2, 2019, the Seneca County Drug Task Force-METRICH Enforcement Unit, along with additional Officers/Detectives from the Tiffin Police Department & Seneca County Sheriff's Office, executed a drug related search warrant on a vehicle in Tiffin, Seneca County, Ohio.

The warrant, signed by Judge Jay Meyer of the Seneca County Common Pleas Court – Juvenile Division, unveiled US Currency, large amount of suspected Crack Cocaine & Criminal Tools.

The Tiffin Police Department's & the Seneca County Sheriff's Office's patrol division were utilized to execute the search warrant safely & effectively on the vehicle once it was stopped.

Dalvon Ray Coffey, 32 YOA (Toledo, Ohio) was arrested for Trafficking Crack Cocaine, a Felony of the Fifth Degree; Melinda De La Rosa, 37 YOA (Toledo, Ohio) was arrested for Permitting Drug Abuse, a Felony of the Fifth Degree; and Michael R. Carter, 36 YOA (Tiffin, Ohio) was arrested for Trafficking Crack Cocaine, a Felony of the Fifth Degree.

All three were transported to the Seneca County Correctional Facility & are being held pending further prosecution. Additional charges of Trafficking Crack Cocaine, Trafficking Heroin & Possession of Criminal Tools are all pending on Coffey and Carter upon the conclusion of the entire drug investigation & the return of the lab analysis of the substances involved in the investigation.

The Task Force was receiving complaints of suspected Drug Trafficking going on from a residence in Tiffin, Ohio, which began the investigation into the suspects. According to the Task Force, this is an "ongoing" investigation into the distribution of Crack Cocaine & Heroin out of Toledo, Ohio. The suspects were traveling from Toledo to Tiffin to distribute their illicit drugs and authorities were able to disrupt their criminal activity.

"It appears that 2019 will be no different than any other year, which is to send a strong message to those who choose to come into our community and try to peddle their drugs, that it will not be tolerated in this community!" Chief Fred Stevens, Tiffin Police Department said.

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