



Northwest Virginia Regional Drug and Gang Task Force 2022 Year End Report

2022 Task Force Mission and Objectives

The Northwest Virginia Regional Drug and Gang Task Force is comprised of an elite group of professional Drug and Gang Investigators assigned to identify, investigate and dismantle major drug trafficking organizations, and to identify, monitor, and bring to justice members of violent gangs responsible for committing aggressive acts in the communities that comprise the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. Successes will be measured by the eradication of critical threats, which include aggressive gang-related offenses, and by the reduction in crimes related to the Manufacture, Distribution and Possession of Fentanyl, Heroin, Powder Cocaine, Crack Cocaine, Methamphetamine, and Prescription Drugs. Among the Task Forces' 2022 goals will be to greatly lessen the number of overdose deaths and injuries in the region.

| Seized Drugs | Street Value |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Cocaine (Powder) – 3.08 Pounds | \$159,264.84 |
| Crack Cocaine- 7.71 Pounds | \$398,679.66 |
| Fentanyl – 5.95 Pounds | \$442,615.50 |
| Heroin – 2.86 Pounds | \$167,347.83 |
| Methamphetamine – 15.03 Pounds | \$654,479.04 |
| Marijuana – 16.9 Pounds | \$76,657.10 |
| | \$1,899,043.97 |

^{**} Alprazolam, Amphetamine, Buprenorphine, MDMA, Hydromorphone, LSD, Methadone, Oxycodone – 3824 dosage units seized. **Street Value of \$1.00 per mg****

Assets Seized - \$182,567.00

Firearms Seized - 42

Felony Arrests & Indictments - 191

Drug Trafficking Organizations Identified/Dismantled/Disrupted - 6





Member Agencies and Assigned Personnel

Frederick County Sheriff's Office – 3

Clarke County Sheriff's Office - 1

Shenandoah County Sheriff's Office - 4

Page County Sheriff's Office – 3

Winchester Police Department - 3

Front Royal Police Department – 3

Strasburg Police Department – 2

Luray Police Department - 1

Virginia State Police - 6

Operating Cost and Budget

2022 Task Force Operating Budget - \$127,146.33

(\$14,127.37 a year per member agency)

Federal Funding received from the Washington/Baltimore HIDTA - \$157,500.00

** Washington/Baltimore HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) Funded Positions – Administrative Assistant, Criminal Intelligence Analyst, SAUSA (Special Assistant United States Attorney) **

Frederick County (Designated 2016) and Warren County (Designated 2019) are considered HIDTA's by the Office of National Drug Control Policy. The Northwest Virginia Regional Drug and Gang Task Force is responsible for and receives all HIDTA funds to assist with disrupting and dismantling major drug trafficking organizations operating in the Northern Shenandoah Valley.















