

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DRUG TASK FORCE

100 West Rock
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701

A G E N D A

For the meeting to be held May 19, 2021 1:30 P.M. Meeting is being held through Zoom.

1. Roll Call of Control Group members.
2. Approval of minutes from the April 21, 2021 meeting.
3. Financial Report, Financial Director Willie Newman.
4. Report of Task Force, Sergeant Tyler Moore.
5. Other Business.
6. Public Comment. *
7. Set place, date, and time for next meeting.
Location: Until further notice, meeting will be held through Zoom due to Covid-19 and the recommendation to social distance. Please check Fayetteville City Calendar for any changes or updates.

Time: 1:30 p.m. Date: **June**
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**** Public comment at a Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force Control Board meeting shall be allowed for all members of the audience who have signed up prior to the beginning of the agenda item they wish to address. Speakers shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes. The Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force Control Board may allow a speaker additional time or may allow an unsigned-up person to speak by unanimous consent or majority vote.***

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100 West Rock Street
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72702

CONTROL GROUP

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Mike Reynolds, Chief of Police
Fayetteville Police Department
100 West Rock Street
Fayetteville, AR 72701
(479) 587-3500

VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Tim Helder, Sheriff
Washington County Sheriff's Office
1155 Clydesdale Drive
Fayetteville, AR 72701
(479) 444-1850

MEMBERS:

Mr. Mike Peters, Chief of Police
Springdale Police Department
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Springdale, AR 72764
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Mr. Chris Workman, Chief of Police
Prairie Grove Police Department
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Prairie Grove, AR. 72753
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PROJECT DIRECTOR:

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Fayetteville Police Department
100 West Rock Street
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OPERATIONS COORDINATOR:

Mr. Tyler Moore, Sergeant
Fourth Judicial Drug Task Force
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FISCAL OFFICER:

Mr. Willie Newman
Fourth Judicial Drug Task Force
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Ms. Cara Murdoch
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MEETING
April 21, 2021
MINUTES

A meeting of the Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force Control Board was held on April 21, 2021. This meeting was held using Zoom due to COVID-19 and recommendations for social distancing.

Those present were:

Mike Reynolds, Chief- Fayetteville Police Department
Mike Peters, Chief -Springdale Police Department
Jay Cantrell, Chief Deputy- Washington County Sheriff's Office
Chris Workman, Chief- Prairie Grove Police Department
Tyler Moore, Sergeant-Fayetteville Police Department
Willie Newman, Financial Director-4th Judicial Drug Task Force
Cara Murdoch, Secretary- 4th Judicial Drug Task Force

Matt Durrett- Washington County Prosecuting Attorney
Jamie Fields, Deputy Chief- Fayetteville Police Department
William Brown, Captain- Fayetteville Police Department
Tim Franklin, Lieutenant- Fayetteville Police Department
Jeff O'Brien, Captain -Prairie Grove Police Department

Guest:

Members of the public.

The meeting was called to order by Chief Mike Reynolds. Upon roll call, the above listed members were acknowledged present. Copies of the minutes from the March 17, 2021 meeting were distributed to all present. A motion was made by Jay Cantrell, and seconded by Chris Workman, to approve the minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

Willie Newman noted that the JAG State J21-004-20 in March showed a zero balance. The amount was requested under Federal Funds but was reimbursed out of State Funds, this drawing the balance to zero. A transfer was made to correct this.

A copy of the financial report for the Grant FY 2020-2021 was distributed to all present for review, period ending March 31, 2021. Financial Director Willie Newman stated the total expense to date was \$335,920.00 which included Federal J21-004-20 \$35,854.00, Federal-J21-004-18 \$91,319.00, State-J21-004-20 \$49,864.00, Local-J21-004-20 \$16,295.00, Local-J21-004-18 \$ 18,264.00, and Non-Allowed- \$124,324.00.

Sergeant Tyler Moore reported on the task force's activity March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021 and distributed a copy of statistics to all present. Moore stated that in March the task force opened 31 cases, closed 17 cases, and made 13 arrests. Moore further noted that \$7,135.00 was expended for the purchase of evidence, \$0.00 for the purchase of service, and \$1,660.00 for the purchase of information. Moore stated that drugs seized during the month included: Methamphetamine, Marijuana, Heroin, and pharmaceuticals. Moore stated that 7 warrants were served. Also noted, 2 drug convictions for the month of March. The task force seized 0 vehicles and a total of \$11,556.00 in U.S. Currency during the month. The locations of DTF Enforcement Action for the month were: Fayetteville 13 cases, Springdale 14 cases, Farmington 1 case, Prairie Grove 2 cases, and Johnson 1 case.

Sergeant Tyler Moore reported on the following dispositions.

DTF 20-252 (State of Arkansas v Brandon Hale)

This was a DTF investigation in the City of Fayetteville resulting in the seizure of \$1,960.00 on November 7th, 2020. \$392.00 went to the Arkansas State Drug Director's Office and \$588.00 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$980.00 go to the Drug Task Force and the remaining balance be split based on current staffing (Springdale 50%, Fayetteville 25%, WCSO 12.5%, Rural 12.5%).

Notes:

Detectives intercepted a shipment of methamphetamine coming in from CA. Detectives conducted an undercover delivery of approximately 2 kilos of methamphetamine to Brandon Hale. Detectives arrested Hale immediately after. Hale was in possession of several other drugs as well as the currency.

A motion was made by Chris Workman, seconded by Jay Cantrell, to approve this recommendation. The Motion was approved unanimously.

DTF 20-279 (State of Arkansas v Paul Wisdom)

This was a DTF investigation in the City of Springdale resulting in the seizure of \$1,221.00 on December 31st, 2020. \$244.20 went to the Arkansas State Drug Director's Office and \$366.30 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$610.50 go to the Drug Task Force and the remaining balance be split based on current staffing (Springdale 50%, Fayetteville 25%, WCSO 12.5%, Rural 12.5%).

Notes:

Detectives conducted surveillance on Wisdom as he traveled to an out of state source to resupply. As Wisdom entered Washington County on his route back to Springdale, WCSO conducted a traffic stop on Wisdom. Detectives searched the car and located 2.5 oz methamphetamine hidden behind the car stereo. Wisdom was in possession of the currency.

A motion was made by Mike Peters, seconded by Jay Cantrell, to approve this recommendation. The Motion was approved unanimously.

DTF 20-205 (State of Arkansas v Miles Neil)

This was a DTF investigation in the City of Springdale resulting in the seizure of \$1110.00 on October 9th, 2020. \$222.00 went to the Arkansas State Drug Director's Office and \$333.00 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$555.00 go to the Drug Task Force and the remaining balance be split based on current staffing. (Springdale 50%, Fayetteville 25%, WCSO 12.5%, Rural 12.5%).

Notes:

This investigation was over the course of several months and included two search warrants on Neil's residence. Detectives conducted multiple controlled buys of methamphetamine and seized several more ounces, the currency, and a sawed off shotgun in the residence. The residence is mere feet from an elementary playground.

A motion was made by Jay Cantrell, seconded by Chris Workman, to approve this recommendation. The Motion was approved unanimously.

DTF 20-272 (State of Arkansas v Christopher Westbrook)

This was a Fayetteville Police arrest resulting in the seizure of \$500.00 on December 14th, 2020. \$100.00 went to the Arkansas State Drug Director's Office and \$150.00 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$250.00 go the Drug Task Force and the remaining balance go to the Fayetteville Police Department.

Notes:

On December 14th, 2020 Fayetteville Police Officers arrested Christopher Westbrook in possession of multiple baggies of methamphetamine, a digital scale, and the currency. DTF responded and completed the confiscation paperwork and processed the evidence.

A motion was made by Chris Workman, seconded by Mike Peters, to approve this recommendation. The Motion was approved unanimously.

DTF 20-154 (State of Arkansas v Robert Newton)

This was a DTF investigation in the City of Springdale resulting in the seizure of \$5,158.00 on July 8th, 2020. \$1031.60 went to the Arkansas State Drug Director's Office and \$1547.40 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$2579.00 go to the Drug Task Force and the remaining balance be split based on current staffing. (Springdale 50%, Fayetteville 25%, WCSO 12.5%, Rural 12.5%).

Notes:

Detectives received information Newton was selling drugs from his apartment in Springdale and conducted surveillance. Detectives made contact with persons leaving Newton's and recovered drugs purchased from Newton. Detectives conducted a search of Newton's residence and located multiple baggies of meth, drug ledgers, digital scales, and the currency.

A motion was made by Jay Cantrell, seconded by Chris Workman, to approve this recommendation. The Motion was approved unanimously.

DTF 20-276 (State of Arkansas v Rodney Reed)

This was a Springdale Police arrest resulting in the seizure of \$794.00 on December 18th, 2020. \$158.80 went to the Arkansas State Drug Director's Office. \$238.20 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$397.00 go to the Drug Task Force and the remaining go to the Springdale Police Department.

Notes:

On December 18th, 2020 SPD Cpl. Gene Johnson arrested Rodney Reed in possession of multiple ounces of cocaine, meth, marijuana, a pistol, and the currency. DTF responded and completed the confiscation paperwork and processed the evidence.

A motion was made by Jay Cantrell, seconded by Chris Workman, to approve this recommendation. The Motion was approved unanimously.

Other Business

No other business was brought before the board.

Public Comments

Sarah Moore: Understands that some of the grants received, by the task force, are written where they can only be used for law enforcement and/or prosecution purposes. There are arms of these grants that provide for prevention, education, and recovery type services. Would like to have community conversation on how to explore additional grant opportunities.

Would like to see how HIDTA Grant monies are allocated and discuss how the task force completes their summaries/score cards at the end of each grant.

Interested in the continuation of zoom meeting access for community members to attend the monthly task force meetings. Asked for discussion in regards to changing the time of meeting from 1:30 p.m. to a later time so more community members can be a part of the conversation.

Chief Mike Reynolds requested a date and time for the next meeting. The next meeting will be May 19, 2021 at 1:30 P.M. This meeting will take place remotely through Zoom due to Covid-19 and the recommendation for social distancing. The meeting was adjourned. Minutes recorded.

Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force
DTF FY2020-2021

For Period Ending April 30, 2021

<u>Account Name</u>	Federal J21-004-20	Federal J21-004-18	State J21-004-20	Local J21-004-20	Local J21-004-18	Non-Allowed	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Personnel - Fayetteville									
Secretary	-	-	-	10,311	11,422	14,699	36,431	42,453	6,022
Supervisor	13,677	26,783	12,131	-	-	3,420	56,012	65,575	9,563
Officers	12,429	23,517	10,885	-	-	3,564	50,396	58,840	8,444
Mandated Benefits	-	-	-	-	-	7,515	7,515	9,813	2,298
Employer Benefits	6,289	6,808	5,164	-	-	35,586	53,848	59,133	5,286
Total Personnel Fayetteville	32,396	57,107	28,181	10,311	11,422	64,784	204,201	235,814	31,613
Maintenance & Operations									
Fayetteville	-	-	-	-	-	22,194	22,194	47,345	25,151
Springdale	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Washington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Maintenance & Operations	-	-	-	-	-	22,194	22,194	47,345	25,151
Contract Services									
Springdale	7,353	11,992	7,620	2,788	2,398	19,797	51,947	77,222	25,275
Washington County	11,010	11,766	7,476	2,735	2,353	4,765	40,105	75,766	35,661
Rural	2,126	10,453	6,587	1,188	2,091	20,083	42,529	67,314	24,785
Total Contract Services	20,489	34,212	21,683	6,711	6,842	44,644	134,581	220,302	85,720
Travel and Training									
Total Travel and Training	-	-	-	-	-	1,043	1,043	2,450	1,407
	-	-	-	-	-	1,043	1,043	2,450	1,407
Total All	52,885	91,319	49,864	17,022	18,264	132,664	362,019	505,911	143,892

**FOURTH JUDICIAL DRUG TASK FORCE
MONTHLY REPORT
GRANT 2020-2021
April 1, 2021 - April 30, 2021**

I.	Cases Opened		28 : 246	
		<u>Enforcement Action</u>		
	Fayetteville	18		
	Springdale	4		
	Farmington	3		
	Prairie Grove	1		
	Greenland	1		
	Washington	1		
II.	Cases Closed		11 : 205	
III.	Arrest Made		6 : 109	
IV.	Community Meetings		0 : 0	
V.	Purchase of Evidence		\$11,225.00 : \$44,525.00	
VI.	Purchase of Service		\$0.00 : \$0.00	
VII.	Purchase of Information		\$1,000.00 : \$8,480.00	
VIII.	Warrants Served		4 : 50	
	Search Warrants	3		
	Phone Warrants	1		
	Surveillance	0		
IX.	Total Drug Amounts			
	Cocaine (powder)	0	gr : 194.00	gr
	Crack Cocaine	0	gr : 13.50	gr
	Marijuana	1,916.80	gr : 7386.16	gr
	Methamphetamine (ice)	4,679.20	gr : 16983.35	gr
	Heroin	959.80	gr : 1022.68	gr
	LSD	7.00	du : 140.00	du
	Psilocybin Mushroom	9.00	gr : 20.80	gr
	Ecstasy	7.5	pills : 128.50	pills
	MDMA	0	gr : 0.90	gr
	Prescription pills	3072.25	du : 3881.75	du
	Opiates	Of which	6	du : 473.00
	Other: Meth 55cc,			

X.	Meth Labs	
	Lab	0 : 0
	One Pot	0 : 0
	Components	0 : 0
	Dumpsite	0 : 0
XI.	Firearms	
	Seized	9 : 97
XII.	Assets Seized	
	Federal	\$0.00 : \$0.00
	State	\$24,844.00 : \$132,950.00
	Vehicle	0 : 0
XIII.	Drug Trafficking Operations Disrupted	3 : 17
XIV.	Charges for the Month	25