

ST. CLAIR COUNTY
DRUG TASK FORCE
MILLAGE REQUEST

- The St. Clair County Drug Task Force has operated since 1984 on a millage based budget.
- Since its inception, the millage rate has been 0.28 mills.
- This August, we are asking our citizens for a new rate of 0.56 mills.
- The increase will mean that a homeowner with a \$100,000 home (\$50,000 S.E.V.) will pay less than .08 cents a day, \$28 a year to support the Drug Task Force.
- The increase will give us the budget to increase the size and scope of the DTF in our fight against methamphetamine, heroin, crack cocaine and other illicit narcotics.
- Specifically, "Boots on the Ground" - More investigators to help combat the issues surrounding our communities.
- With the dramatic increase of both heroin and methamphetamine use in our county, coupled with the high cost of cleanup and disposal of meth labs, the millage will support our efforts in shutting down the poison dealers and bringing them to justice.

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St. Clair County
Drug Task Force



Tim Donnellon, Sheriff
St. Clair County

PRESCRIPTION PILL ABUSE

St. Clair County has had a marked increase in prescription pill abuse over the past several years. **Opiate based prescription medication, including Hydrocodone, Oxycodone and OxyContin have contributed to 65 overdose deaths in our county over the past two years.**

If you have unwanted, expired or unused prescription pills, bring them to the Sheriff's Office from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

HEROIN

Heroin is also a growing problem in our county. In 2011, the DTF confiscated 93 grams of heroin during investigations. In 2015, 206 grams of heroin was seized. **Heroin alone, or in combination with other drugs has led to the deaths of 45 people in St. Clair County over the past two years.**

Heroin use is closely related to the prescription drug issue. When individuals are no longer able to get a prescription for opiate based pills, they find heroin a cheaper alternative to buying the pills from drug dealers.

CRACK COCAINE

While three relatively new drug menaces have come to St. Clair County, crack cocaine remains a serious problem for our community.

In 2015, more than 500 grams of crack cocaine and cocaine were seized as the result of investigations by the DTF.

METHAMPHETAMINE

Meth use has increased dramatically in the past few years. In 2011, the DTF conducted raids on 4 meth labs, that number increased to 31 in 2015.

Methamphetamine is an incredibly dangerous drug. The risk of explosion and fire are extremely high, not only during manufacturing, but also when the waste products are being discarded.

The discarded waste product is highly flammable. The bottles are thrown in ditches or yards. If a person picks up a bottle containing meth waste, the chemicals inside can re-activate, causing an explosion.

HOW DRUGS EFFECT OUR COMMUNITY

- increase of homes burglarized
- Increase in armed robberies
- Increase in deaths (Overdose, Homicide & Suicide)
- Increase in felonious assaults



KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

In 2015, the St. Clair County Drug Task Force conducted well over 100 investigations into illicit drug activity in our county. As a result of those investigations, 242 subjects were arrested. Those arrested, faced a total of 331 felony charges and 232 misdemeanor charges. In addition, with over 100 search warrants that were served in 2015, 60 firearms were confiscated.

We can't do it alone. If you have any information regarding illegal drug activity, please contact the St. Clair County Drug Task Force at (810) 985-8201 or toll free at 1-800-243-3784.

***Don't forget to
VOTE
August 2nd***

