

Sixteen arrested in illegal narcotics operation in Ozark

From staff reports

A 15-month-long investigation in Ozark netted the arrests of 16 residents on misdemeanor and felony drug charges, according to the Ozark Police Department.

A statement from Ozark Police Chief Marlos Walker showed multiple law enforcement agencies used surveillance, search warrants and witness statements in Ozark and Dale County to charge individuals from throughout the Wiregrass

The following people were arrested and charged with felony crimes between May 2015 and August:

- » William J. Baker, 26, of Ozark, possession of a controlled substance;
- » Chad D. Bedsole; 29, of Kinston, trafficking of a controlled substance and three counts of possession of a controlled substance;
- » Gilbert T. Brutley, 36, of Eufaula, trafficking methamphetamine;
- » Quamell R. Crittendon, 23, of Ozark, trafficking methamphetamine;
- » Michael Jamal Culver, 27, of Ozark, trafficking methamphetamine and three counts of possession of a controlled substance;
- » Darrious R. Dean, 34, of Ozark, distribution of controlled substance;
- » Brandon C. Carter, 28, of Ozark, distribution of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance;
- » Terrance D. Edwards, 37, of Ozark, trafficking methamphetamine;
- » Tiffany N. Ferebee, 29, of Ozark, two counts of distribution of a controlled substance;
- » Arthur L. Griffin, 48, of Ozark, distribution of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance;
- » Derick K. Jiles, 36, of Ozark, distribution of a controlled substance;
- » Michelle M. Jones, 23, of Foley, trafficking methamphetamine and three counts of possession of a controlled substance;
- » Kema L. Parker, 43, of Ozark, distribution of a controlled substance, first-degree possession of marijuana, and trafficking methamphetamine;
- » Dominique D. Smith, 26, distribution of a controlled substance;
- » Dezarae L. Wiggins, 26, of Montgomery, trafficking methamphetamine and possession of a controlled substance; and
- » Thomas K. Windham, 49, of Ariton, trafficking methamphetamine.

In addition to OPD, Walker said agencies involved in the ongoing investigations include the Dale County Sheriff's Office, Drug Enforcement Administration, Alabama Law Enforcement Agency, Dothan Police Department, Covington County Drug Task Force, Troy Police Department and Eufaula Police Department.