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Alaska Law Enforcement Team Up for Crime Suppression Operation in Interior

Two-day joint operation hits the Fairbanks drug world hard.

August 22, 2024 (FAIRBANKS, AK) – Last week, multiple law enforcement agencies from around Alaska conducted a joint-operation to disrupt drug trafficking and associated criminal activity in the Fairbanks and North Pole area. The two-day effort took place from August 14-15, and more than a dozen local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies were involved in the effort.

"Your Alaska State Troopers are committed to working tirelessly to keep harmful drugs off of our streets, and making Alaska a safer place to live, work, visit, and raise a family," **said Colonel Maurice Hughes, Director of the Alaska State Troopers**. "With the support of our local, state and federal partners we will continue to conduct operations like these and hold those that deal death in our state accountable for their actions."

A total of 32 arrests were made, including 23 warrant arrests. Officers also conducted 105 traffic stops and contacted over 204 people in connection with this effort.

This joint crime and drug trafficking suppression operations was a joint effort consisting of more than 40 sworn law enforcement officers from a dozen local, state and federal agencies including the Alaska State Troopers, Fairbanks Police Department, North Pole Police Department, UAF Police Department, Fairbanks Airport Police Department, Anchorage Police Department, North Slope Borough Police Department, Alaska Department of Corrections, the US Marshals, FBI, Drug Enforcement Administration, Wasilla Police Department, and the Alaska State Park Rangers.

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