



PORTAGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

FENTANYL DRUG ARREST

August 24, 2021

On August 23, 2021, The Portage County Drug Task Force learned of a drug overdose death that occurred in the early morning hours at a residence located in Ravenna Township. With the assistance of Portage County Sheriff's Office Deputies, Task Force investigators were able to locate and identify a target that may have sold to the victim the potent heroin that resulted in the victim's death. Within hours, Investigators with the Portage County Drug Task Force and Detectives with the City of Ravenna Police Department arranged a drug transaction with the victim's heroin supplier and the subject was immediately arrested for Trafficking in drugs after selling drugs to an undercover officer. The male subject was identified as Michael A. Johnson, 40 years of age, of 315 E. Highland Avenue, Ravenna, Ohio 44266. Johnson was found to be in possession of approximately 14 grams of a substance that field test positive for Fentanyl and over \$600 in US currency. Johnson was charged with Trafficking in Fentanyl packaged for distribution, in an amount exceeding 10 grams, while in the vicinity of a juvenile, a Felony of the 1st degree. Additional charges are pending review by the Portage County Prosecutor's Office.

