

FY 2018 YEAR END REPORT

Division of Drug Enforcement
Bureau of Indian Affairs – Office of Justice Services
US Department of the Interior



A MESSAGE FROM INDIAN AFFAIRS



John Tahsuda, III

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs

The progress made in FY 2018 by the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Office of Justice Services to end the scourge of drugs in tribal communities is admirable. In coordination with the DOI Opioid Task Force and through stand alone interdiction operations, BIA-OJS made the total of 372 arrests and had seized over 3,200 pounds of illegal narcotics with an estimated street value of approximately \$9 million dollars.

BIA-OJS continues to proudly work in partnership with the Indian Health Service to train and equip BIA Officers with NARCAN® (naloxone) Nasal Spray. In the past year, Interior and Indian Affairs honored the heroic officers had saved lives by quickly recognizing symptoms of an opioid overdose and administering the NARCAN® (naloxone) Nasal Spray. We are proud of their lifesaving actions.

BIA Officers take action every day to answer the call of promoting public safety. They take action to save lives, promote public awareness and confront dangers. Every day is a remarkable day for BIA-OJS because of the collective efforts exerted by BIA-OJS officers and staff.



A MESSAGE FROM BIA-OJS DIRECTOR

Charles Addington

Deputy Bureau Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs - Office of Justice Services



In December 2017, I had the privilege of becoming the Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Office of Justice Services (OJS). As the Director, I am responsible for oversight of numerous directorates that provide public safety services to Indian Country. As a sworn law enforcement officer with BIA OJS for more than 17 years, I have been blessed with working with some of the most talented public safety professionals throughout Indian Country.

Prior to being appointed as the Director, I had the extremely valuable opportunity to spend almost four (4) years directly overseeing the men and women of the BIA's Division of Drug Enforcement. This national drug enforcement program is responsible for disrupting and dismantling drug enforcement enterprises in Indian Country.

In 2018, the Secretary of the Interior tasked BIA OJS with leading the development of the Department of the Interior Opioid Task Forces, aimed at strategically combatting the increasing opioid and other illegal narcotic epidemic affecting Indian Country communities across the nation.



The extraordinary men and women within the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement took the task head on and delivered very successful results by making 372 arrest and seizing over 3,200 pounds of illegal narcotics, with an estimated street value of approximately \$9 million dollars.

This report will highlight some of the great work of the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement over this past year (FY-2018) and the huge successes the division made through the establishment of multiple Department of the Interior Opioid Task Forces throughout Indian Country.

WHO ARE WE?

Our Mission

Bureau of Indian Affairs – Office of Justice Services



The BIA OJS mission is to enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian tribes, and Alaskan Natives.

The BIA OJS strives to uphold tribal sovereignty and customs and provide for the safety of Indian communities by ensuring the protection of life and property, enforcing laws, maintaining justice and order, and by confining American Indian offenders in safe, secure, and humane environments. OJS directly operates or funds law enforcement, tribal courts, and detention facilities on Federal Indian lands.



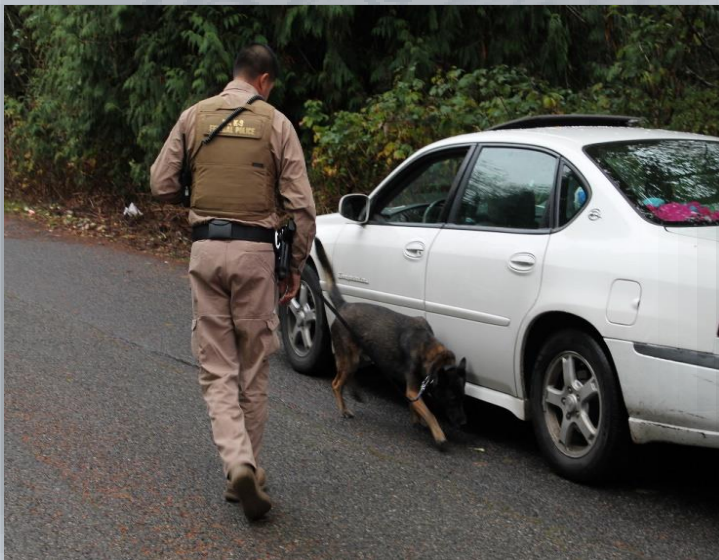
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Division of Drug Enforcement

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Drug-related activity in Indian Country is a major contributor to violent crime and imposes serious health and economic difficulties on Indian communities. The BIA OJS conducts highly technical investigations on narcotics, gangs, border and human trafficking violations in Indian Country through the Division of Drug Enforcement (DDE).



DDE Special Agents work along side DDE K-9 teams and OJS General Crimes Special Agents and uniformed police officers in Indian Country daily.

WHERE ARE WE?



Our Locations

Bureau of Indian Affairs – Office of Justice Services



The BIA Division of Drug Enforcement is comprised of one (1) Associate Director, one (1) Deputy Associate Director, five (5) Regional Agents in Charge, forty two (42) Special Agents, seven (7) K9 teams, two (2) Program Analyst, one (1) Intelligence Analyst and one (1) Law Enforcement Specialist for a total of sixty (60) positions.

WHO ARE WE?

Division of Drug Enforcement Bureau of Indian Affairs – Office of Justice Services



BIA DDE provides complex narcotic investigations, as well as gang, and human trafficking investigations that focus on the disruption of drug distribution networks and criminal enterprise directly related to Indian Country and those impacting Indian Communities.

The DDE provides analytical support to track drug cases, evaluate intelligence and trend data on drug related issues that impact Indian Country. DDE also provides drug related training and technical assistance to law enforcement programs. DDE works on task forces with the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the United States Border Patrol as well as multiple state and tribal agencies across the United States.



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Honoring Heroes



Former-Secretary Ryan Zinke, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs John Tahsuda and BIA OJS Director Charles Addington presenting Secretary's Commendation awards to BIA Turtle Mountain Officers Stacey Larocque and Michael Slater, BIA Standing Rock Officers Wayland Bad Hand and Gary Sandland. In 2018, these officer's quick and courageous actions saved the lives of individuals who overdosed on deadly synthetic opioid drugs by administering Narcan to reverse the affects of an overdose.

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Opioid Reduction Task Force

In January 2018, the Department of the Interior Opioid Reduction Task Force was established. The OJS Division of Drug Enforcement is the primary lead on the DOI task force and receives operational support from other DOI law enforcement agencies and different levels of federal, tribal, state and local agencies, all collaborating to disrupt illegal narcotics from being distributed to Indian Country.



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Department of Homeland Security

Customs and Border Protection



Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Drug Enforcement Administration

IN THE NEWS:

US Department of the Interior Opioid Reduction Task Force

In First Raid, New Opioid Task Force Seizes \$2.5 Million worth of Meth and \$22,000 in Marijuana, Heroin and Other Narcotics

Secretary Zinke made the announcement at the opening of the "Prescribed To Death" Traveling Memorial Remembering Victims and Survivors of the Opioid Crisis

April 11, 2018

WASHINGTON - Today, just two weeks after U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced the Department was forming a new Joint Task Force (JTF) to combat the opioid crisis in Indian Country, the Secretary announced the JTF's first raid seized 49 pounds of methamphetamine with a street value of \$2.5 million and more than \$20,000 worth of marijuana, plus smaller amounts of heroin, and other narcotics. The raid was led by Interior's JTF with partnership from the Pueblo Tribes and New Mexico law enforcement officials. Secretary Zinke formed the JTF in response to President Donald J. Trump's commitment to end the opioid crisis.

"I am incredibly proud of the law enforcement officers on this Joint Task Force. The work they did over the weekend in New Mexico, seizing the very drugs that are poisoning tribal communities, will save lives," said Secretary Zinke. "They successfully stopped \$2.5 million worth of methamphetamine from stealing our children's futures. Their work is a perfect example of what we can do when we leverage the resources of the government to address this crisis in Indian Country. President Trump's leadership in the fight against opioids and other drugs has been tremendous. Together, we are cracking down on the dealers who are selling out our kids."

"I am very pleased to see that the new leadership in the BIA Office of Justice Services is exceeding expectations in carrying out the Secretary and President's direction to combat opioids across Indian Country," said Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Bryan Rice. "Deputy Bureau Director Charlie Addington is leading a results-driven effort to address this epidemic in our communities and surrounding areas."

The JTF consisted of agents and officers from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and their K-9 unit, Office of Justice Services, Division of Drug Enforcement, BIA District-IV Indian Country - High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force, New Mexico State Police (NMSP) and their K-9 unit, NMSP Investigation Bureau's Regional Narcotic Task Force, and the Department of Homeland Security Task Force.

This operation ran from April 3 to April 7, 2018, and was conducted at the following Pueblos around Albuquerque, New Mexico: Laguna, Sandia, Cochiti, San Ildefonso, Santa Ana, Santa Clara, Picuris, Santo Domingo, Pojoaque, Nambe, San Felipe, Tesuque, and Ohkay Owengah. The JTF conducted 304 traffic stops and 93 vehicle searches, issued 129 traffic citations, and arrested 11 subjects for drug possession.

Last month, Secretary Zinke championed President Trump's commitment to end the opioid epidemic in a series of tribal community visits during the week of the President's Opioid initiative. The Secretary personally visited several tribal communities around the country — Tohono O'odham, Gila River, Salt River, and AK-Chin in Arizona; Oneida in Wisconsin; Spokane, Colville, and Lummi Nations in Washington State — to listen and learn about how the opioid crisis is impacting tribes and to show the Department's commitment to addressing the resonating effects of this addiction. Tribes welcomed these visits and the President's commitment to eliminating the opioid epidemic with the greatest appreciation.

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IN THE NEWS:

US Department of the Interior Opioid Reduction Task Force

Interior Law Enforcement Seizes 17 lbs. of Heroin and Methamphetamine on San Felipe Pueblo Indian Reservation in NM

*Seizure continues the Trump Administration's priority to end the opioid crisis
and stop drugs pouring over the border*

September 12, 2018

WASHINGTON – Today, U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke applauded the efforts of a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Office of Justice Services (OJS) K-9 Police Officer who recently took more than 17 pounds of deadly drugs off the streets. The BIA officer was monitoring vehicle traffic on Interstate 25 on the San Felipe Pueblo Indian Reservation when he conducted a traffic stop resulting in the arrest of an individual, and the seizure of approximately 15.9 pounds of methamphetamine and 1.25 pounds of heroin.

A field test of the substances was conducted and returned positive results for the presence of methamphetamine from one of the fifteen packages and heroin from the one of packages. One package did test positive for heroin and had an approximate weight of 1.25 pounds (567.67 grams). On Thursday, August 30, 2018, a Criminal Complaint was filed in the District of New Mexico and the suspect was held for further court proceedings.

"Our Bureau of Indian Affairs law enforcement officers are the front line in America's ongoing fight against opioids," **said Secretary Zinke**. "I applaud their fine efforts today and every day. Opioids have had a disproportionately negative effect on American Indian and Alaska Native communities, and as Secretary of the Interior, I understand how imperative our efforts are on this urgent issue. The DOI Opioid Task Force is doing a great job. I thank President Trump for his great leadership in helping us find creative ways to solve this crisis, and I look forward to a day when opioids no longer claim the lives of so many of our citizens."

"Thank you, Secretary Zinke and the hard working BIA-OJS officers on the ground, for helping to keep Indian Country safe," **said Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Tara Sweeney**. "The President's Initiative is directly impacting the families within our tribal communities."

The Department of the Interior is committed to making available resources required to fight drug abuse, and earlier this year Secretary Zinke established the Department of the Interior's drug fighting Joint Task Force to help achieve President Donald Trump's mission to end the opioid epidemic and make America safe. So far, the task force has made 155 arrests and confiscated approximately 1,155 pounds of illegal drugs. Secretary Zinke has continually worked with tribes to carry out President Trump's directive to stop the drug and opioid crisis, conducting dozens of tribal visits to see the affected communities, while listening and learning about how to fight the crisis on the ground.

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IN THE NEWS:

US Department of the Interior Opioid Reduction Task Force

Trump Administration Taskforce Completes Successful Opioid Bust in Arizona

OVER 9,000 FENTANYL PILLS AND HUNDREDS OF POUNDS OF OTHER DRUGS SEIZED

May 31, 2018

WASHINGTON - From May 15, 2018 through May 26, 2018, the Department of the Interior (DOI) Opioid Reduction Task Force conducted a Criminal Interdiction Operation in and around Tribal reservations in Arizona, seizing 9,050 Fentanyl pills, 48.2 pounds of methamphetamine, 1.2 pounds of heroin, 863 pounds of marijuana, one-half pound of cocaine, and \$30,000 in cash. In total, the drug bust yielded a seizure of 913.5 pounds of illegal narcotics, with a street value of approximately \$4,791,417.00, and led to 86 total arrests. The operation in Arizona is the second led by Interior's Joint Task Force, which Secretary Zinke established to help achieve President Donald Trump's mission to end the opioid epidemic.

"Our task force on opioids continues to distinguish itself as one of the finest operations in law enforcement today; I could not be more proud of these professionals," said U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke. "It's heartbreaking to see the scale of the problem, and rather than further stigmatizing victims, we are cracking down on the dealers who are selling out our children, selling out our communities, and selling out our nation. I thank our partners in Indian Country, along with state and local law enforcement, for their dedication to this mission. These brave men and women are keeping the opioid dealers up at night, and with good reason; if you are trafficking these drugs, we will find you, arrest you, and bring you to justice."

"A drug-free Indian Country is a healthy Indian Country. I commend the efforts of our BIA Division of Drug Enforcement agents, along with federal, tribal and state partners for successfully conducting this operation to eradicate drugs in tribal communities," said John Tahsuda, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. "Only together can we protect our loved ones from the harmful effects of these devastating substances."



(Continued) Trump Administration Taskforce Completes Successful Opioid Bust in Arizona

SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES	
Methamphetamine	33.2 pounds located in a vehicle tire with estimated street value of \$1,754,212.00. (Tohono O’odham Reservation)
Methamphetamine	15 pounds located in a natural void of a Toyota Scion with a street value of \$790,952.00. (Gila River Reservation)
Heroin	1.2 pounds located in a natural void of a Toyota Scion with a street value of \$55,501.00. (Gila River Reservation)
Cocaine	0.5 pounds located in a natural void of a Toyota Scion with a street value of \$22,680.00. (Gila River Reservation)
Marijuana	863.588 pounds (four separate seizures) with an estimated street value of \$1,802,072.00. (Tohono O’odham Reservation)
Fentanyl	Approximately 9,050 pills with an estimated street value of \$366,000.00. (Gila River Reservation)
Total Seizure:	913.5 pounds of illegal narcotics and approximately 9,050 fentanyl pills with a total street value of approximately \$4,791,417.00.

Secretary Zinke has worked with tribes to carry out President Trump’s directive to stop the opioid crisis, conducting dozens of tribal visits to see the affected communities, while listening and learning about how to fight the crisis. In starting new initiatives to fight the epidemic, such as the creation of the Joint Task Force, the Department of the Interior is committed to giving all resources required to fight drug abuse.

The DOI Task Force for the Interdiction Operation consisted of Special Agents from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Division of Drug Enforcement (DDE) and BIA K-9 uniformed officers, along with the Tohono O’odham Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI-Sells, Arizona), US Border Patrol (USBP), Pascua Yaqui Tribal Police Department, San Carlos Apache Tribal Police Department, Gila River Tribal Police Department, Native American Targeted Investigations of Violent Enterprises (NATIVE) Task Force, and the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS). The Criminal Interdiction Operation focused on highways known for being high drug trafficking routes into and through Indian Country. This collaboration focused efforts on conducting high visibility enforcement operations with specialized drug interdiction teams.

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IN THE NEWS:

US Department of the Interior Opioid Reduction Task Force

Trump Admin's Joint Opioid Reduction Task Force Leads To 75 Arrests In North Carolina Indian Country

September 27, 2018

ASHEVILLE, N.C. – A major law enforcement operation targeting drug trafficking in and around Indian Country in North Carolina has resulted in the arrest of more than 75 individuals on federal, state and tribal charges, announced U.S. Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke and Andrew Murray, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. Additionally, the months-long operation yielded more than 248 pounds of illegal substances including heroin, methamphetamine, and hundreds of opioid pills with an estimated street value of \$2 million. Officers also seized 6 illegally-possessed firearms. This operation is the latest conducted by the Interior Department's task force which Secretary Zinke formed in March 2018 to target the opioid crisis in Indian Country.

The undercover operation, led by the Department of Interior's Opioid Reduction Task Force, in coordination with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian Police Department and multiple federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, began in March 2018, and aimed at disrupting and dismantling drug distribution networks operating in and around the Qualla Boundary.

"First and foremost, bravo zulu to the dozens of law enforcement professionals who are on the front lines and putting their own lives at risk to take these deadly drugs off the streets. President Trump and I could not be prouder of their work," said Secretary Zinke. "It's heartbreaking to see the scale of the problem, and rather than further stigmatizing victims, we are cracking down on the dealers who are selling out our children, selling out our communities, and selling out our nation. The Trump Administration is serious about ending the opioid crisis and that means both treatment of those suffering as well as eradicating the drugs from our communities. This week's law enforcement action gets us closer to that goal."

"I am extremely grateful to the Secretary of the Interior, the BIA and the multiple state and local agencies who helped make this operation a success," said Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Richard Sneed. "The arrest of these drug dealers is a critical step towards ensuring that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are able to provide the healthy environment our people deserve."

In addition to the 75 arrests announced today in connection with DOI's Opioid Reduction Task Force operation, a concurrent two-year investigation spearheaded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Division of Drug Enforcement and the DEA led to the previous arrest of 57 additional individuals responsible for trafficking opiates and methamphetamine in Indian Country, bringing the total number of those arrested as part of the Western District's drug reduction initiative on the Cherokee Indian Reservation to 132.

To date, the joint investigations have also yielded a seizure of more than 5 pounds of heroin and Fentanyl; more than 20 pounds of methamphetamine; over 210 Fentanyl tablets and Oxycodone tablets; and more than 223 pounds of marijuana, with a combined street value of over \$2 million. Over the course of the investigation, law enforcement also seized six illegally possessed firearms.

(Continued) Trump Admin's Joint Opioid Reduction Task Force Leads To 75 Arrests In North Carolina Indian Country

Other partners involved in the operation include: the DEA; the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian Police Department; the Swain County Sheriff's Office; the Jackson County Sheriff's Office; the McDowell County Sheriff's Office; the Henderson County Sheriff's Office; the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office; Buncombe County Sheriff's Office; the Asheville Police Department; the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation; and the North Carolina State Highway Patrol; and the U.S. Marshals Service for their coordinated efforts throughout this investigation.

Last year, Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced a series of new actions by the Justice Department to support law enforcement and maintain public safety in Indian Country. Among the actions announced, was the deployment of the expanded Tribal Access Program for National Crime Information (TAP), which is designed to provide the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and other federally-recognized tribes, access to national crime information databases for criminal and civil purposes. TAP allows tribes to more effectively serve and protect their nations' citizens by ensuring the exchange of critical data across the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) systems and other national crime information systems.

In addition, the Office of Tribal Justice created the Indian Country Federal Law Enforcement Coordination Group, an unprecedented partnership that brings together sworn federal agents and key stakeholders from 12 federal law enforcement components with responsibilities in Indian Country, with the goal of increasing collaboration and coordination among law enforcement and enhancing the response to violent crime in Indian Country.

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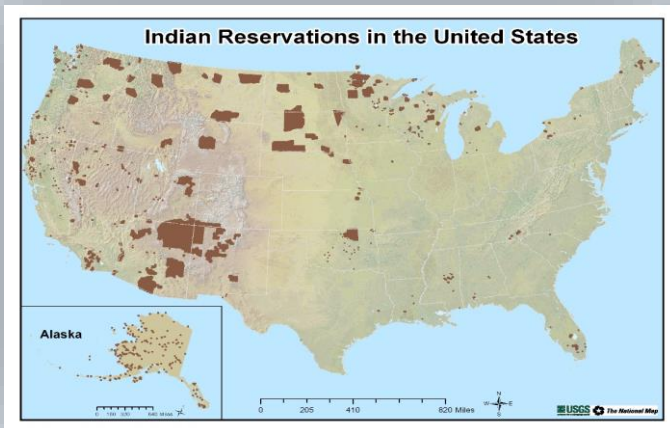


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Opioid Reduction Task Force

National Results

2018



2018 TASK FORCE RESULTS

- **15** Operations
- **372** Arrests
- **3,287** pounds of Narcotics Seized
- Estimated street value:
Approximately
\$9.8 million dollars

Arizona

Total Arrests: 86
Total Drugs Seized: 956 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

Minnesota

Total Arrests: 84
Total Drugs Seized: 1.84 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

Montana

Total Arrests: 52
Total Drugs Seized: .22 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

North Carolina

Total Arrests: 75
Total Drugs Seized: 248 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

New Mexico

Total Arrests: 11
Total Drugs Seized: 58 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

Nevada

Total Arrests: 10
Total Drugs Seized: 3.9 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

State of Washington

Total Arrests: 53
Total Drugs Seized: 2,020 pounds of illegal narcotics seized

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Opioid Reduction Task Force

Minnesota Operation

December 4, 2017 – July 13, 2018

The Minnesota Operations focused on the Mille Lacs, White Earth and the Leech Lake Reservations. At the conclusion of the Minnesota operation, BIA Division of Drug Enforcement referred fourteen (14) cases to the US Attorney Office for the District of Minnesota. One (1) additional case was through State court. At this time all the cases are pending prosecution.

In support of the DOI Opioid Reduction Task Force, the following agencies partnered with OJS in support of the DOI Opioid Reduction Task Force from July 9, 2018 through July 13, 2018; Mille Lacs Tribal Police Department, White Earth Tribal Police Department, Leech Lake Tribal Police Department, Mille Lacs County Sheriffs Office, Minnesota State Highway Patrol, Becker County Sheriffs Office, Mahnommen County Sheriff Office, and the Paul Bunyan Drug Task Force. These agencies assisted OJS with conducting criminal interdiction operations, focusing on areas of highways known for high drug trafficking into Indian Country. The enforcement operation was the culmination of an eight (8) month clandestine investigative operation, which targeted distributors of opioids and other illegal narcotics impacting tribal communities.

Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)

Methamphetamine	439.8
Heroin	284.34
Cocaine	0.4
Marijuana	2.5
Other (pills)	123
Firearms	1
Arrests	84



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Opioid Reduction Task Force

North Carolina Operation

March 16, 2018 – June 1, 2018

A major law enforcement operation targeting drug trafficking organizations in and around Indian Country in North Carolina resulted in the arrest of more than 75 individuals on federal, state and tribal charges. The months long DOI Opioid Task Force operation yielded more than 248 pounds of illegal narcotics to include; heroin, methamphetamine and hundreds of opioid pills with a estimated street value of \$2 million dollars. Law enforcement also seized six (6) illegally possessed firearms.

The undercover operations was led by the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement, in coordination with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian Police Department and multiple federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.

Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)

Methamphetamine	923.0 (2.03 pounds)
Heroin	26.7
Cocaine	178.8
Marijuana	99,500 (219.3 pounds)
Other (pills)	574.4
Firearms	4
MDMA (Ecstasy)	1
Arrests	75



In addition to this DOI Opioid Task Force announcement by Secretary Ryan Zinke, of the more than 75 individuals arrested on federal, state and tribal charges, a concurrent two-year investigation led by the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement and DEA resulted in the arrest of an additional 57 individuals responsible for trafficking illegal narcotics to Indian Country, bringing the total number of arrests during this initiative to 140. This successful operation was praised by Tribal leaders, tribal citizens and local law enforcement agencies and had a tremendous impact on the community.

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Opioid Reduction Task Force

Arizona Operation

May 15, 2018 – May 26, 2018

On May 15, 2018 through May 26, 2018, the Department of the Interior (DOI) Opioid Reduction Task Force conducted a Criminal Interdiction Operation in and around Tribal reservations in Arizona. The task force operations included the Tohono O’odham, San Carlos Apache, Gila River, and Pascua Yaqui Reservations.

The Criminal Interdiction Operation focused on highways known for being high drug trafficking routes into and through Indian Country. This collaboration focused efforts on conducting high visibility enforcement with specialized drug interdiction teams. The operation netted the seizure of a very large quantity of illegal narcotics and arrests.

The DOI Task Force operation consisted of Special Agents from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Division of Drug Enforcement and BIA K-9 uniformed officers, along with the Tohono O’odham Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI-Sells, Arizona), US Border Patrol, Pascua Yaqui Tribal Police Department, San Carlos Apache Tribal Police Department, Gila River Tribal Police Department, Native American Targeted Investigations of Violent Enterprises (NATIVE) Task Force, and the Arizona Department of Public Safety.

The DOI Opioid Task Force operations were supported by the Tribal leadership, the Tribal Law and Order Committees, and the tribal members within the communities.



Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)

Methamphetamine	21,930 (48.3 pounds)
Heroin	544.311 (1.2 pounds)
Cocaine	249.396
Marijuana	402,683 (887.76 pounds)
Fentanyl	8,900 pills
Other (pills)	20
Firearms	2
Arrests	86

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New Mexico Operation

April 03, 2018 – April 07, 2018

On April 3, 2018 through April 7, 2018 agents and officers from the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement, BIA District-IV Indian Country – High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force (IC-HIDTA) members, BIA K-9 Teams, BIA Uniformed Officers, New Mexico State Police (NMSP) Uniformed Officers, NMSP K-9 Teams, NMSP Investigation Bureau’s Regional Narcotic Task Force, and the HSI Task Force agents conducted an interdiction operation focusing on Indian Country around the Pueblos around Albuquerque New Mexico. An approximate total of 48 pounds of methamphetamine and approximately 10 pounds of high grade marijuana were seized, along with small user amounts of heroin and other narcotics. The estimated street value of the methamphetamine is approximately \$2.5 million, and the high grade marijuana is approximately \$20,000.

This interdiction operation was conducted on and around the following Indian Country locations:

Laguna Pueblo	Sandia Pueblo	Cochiti Pueblo	San Ildefonso Pueblo	Santa Ana Pueblo
Santa Clara Pueblo	Picuris Pueblo	Santo Domingo	Pojoaque Pueblo	Nambe Pueblo
San Felipe	Tesuque Pueblo	Ohkay Owengah Pueblo		

Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)

Methamphetamine	21,772.4 (48 pounds)
Marijuana	4,536 (10 pounds)
Arrests	11



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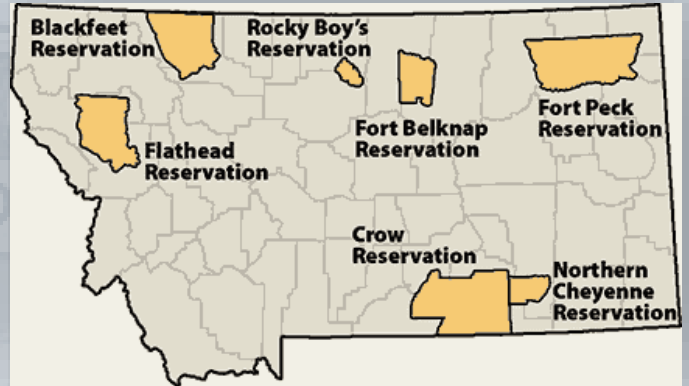
Montana Operation

Phase I (May 26, 2018 – May 31, 2018) & Phase II (June 13, 2018 – June 17, 2018)

The Montana operation consisted of a two phase approach which included the Crow and Northern Cheyenne Reservation in Phase I and the Fort Peck Reservation in Phase II. These criminal interdiction operations focused on highways know for being high drug trafficking routes in and through Indian Country. The collaborative effort in Phase I involved high visibility enforcement operations with specialized drug interdiction teams from the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement, DEA and the Montana Highway Patrol.

Phase II occurred on the Fort Peck Reservation where law enforcement teams focused on rural and major highway interdiction, coupled with continued long term targeted drug investigations. Drug Agents conducted controlled purchases of illegal narcotics from previously identified dealers and newly identified dealers. The operation covered seven (7) tribal communities spread along the Hi-Line of Montana. BIA Division of Drug Enforcement was assisted by the Fort Peck Tribal Police, Roosevelt County Sheriff’s Office, Montana Highway Patrol (MHP), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the United States Border Patrol (USBP).

The overall feeling from the Fort Peck Tribal Executive Boars was very appreciative of the law enforcement efforts ad a general sense that the community was very thankful of the DOI Opioid Task Force Operation in their communities. Two (2) cases were submitted to the US Attorneys Office and twenty six (26) cases were presented to the Tribal Courts for prosecution.



Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)	
Methamphetamine	55.75
Marijuana	36.3
Other (pills)	11
Arrests	52

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Washington State Operation

July 23, 2018 – August 2, 2018

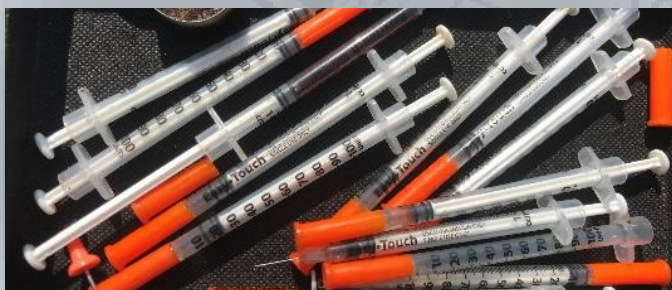
The DOI Opioid Task Force conducted a Criminal Interdiction Operation on the Yakama Indian Reservation located in Central Washington. This operation was conducted by BIA Division of Drug Enforcement Special Agents (SA) and Police Officers / K-9's, Yakama Nation Tribal Police Department (YNPD), Yakima County Sheriff's Office (YCSO), Intelligence Agents from the United States Border Patrol (USBP), and Special Agents with the US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). The operation focused on rural and major highway drug interdiction operations, coupled with controlled buys targeting known and newly identified sources of supply. The operation covered both tribal and incorporated communities on the Yakama Nation. This included In-Lieu sites, which encompassed the communities of Toppenish, Wapato, White Swan, Harrah, Parker, and Priest Rapids.

The overall results of the operation was viewed very favorably by the Yakama Nation Tribal Chairman and the general community. The Chairman noted that the Yakama Tribal members have a high rate of addiction and usage, but are not typically the source of the illegal narcotics. The Chairman believed the source of the illegal narcotics were the migrant workers and families living on the Yakama Nation lands. The Chairman expressed his appreciation for DOI's innovative approach to addressing the opioid crisis in Indian Country.

The operation netted approximately 2,020 pounds of illegal narcotics with an estimated street value of approximately \$1,016,850.

Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)

Methamphetamine	125.0
Heroin	6.0
Marijuana	916,258 (2,020 pounds)
Arrests	53



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Nevada Operation

August 15, 2018 – August 24, 2018

The DOI Opioid Task Force conducted a Criminal Interdiction Operation in and around the Pyramid Lake Indian reservation in Nevada. The DOI Task Force consisted of Special Agents from the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement (DDE) and BIA K-9 uniformed officers and the Pyramid Lake Tribal Police Department. The Interdiction Operation focused on highways known for being high drug trafficking routes in and through Indian Country. This collaboration focused efforts on conducting high visibility enforcement operations with specialized drug interdiction teams.

Participating law enforcement agencies conducted high visibility patrol and interdiction operations around the towns of Nixon and Wadsworth and routes around Pyramid Lake. Feedback from tribal members was very positive throughout the operation. On several occasions, officers were approached by tribal members and were thanked for enforcing the traffic laws and tackling the drug activity on their reservation. Law enforcement agencies from the surrounding areas also voiced their support for the increased enforcement activity at Pyramid Lake.

Total Seizure Amounts in Grams (g)

Methamphetamine	6.6
Heroin	2
Cocaine	1
Marijuana	1,785 (3.94 pounds)
Psilocybin (Mushrooms)	126
MDMA (Ecstasy)	10
Firearms	1
Arrests	10



OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY

FY 2018 Performance Measures

Bureau of Indian Affairs – Office of Justice Services

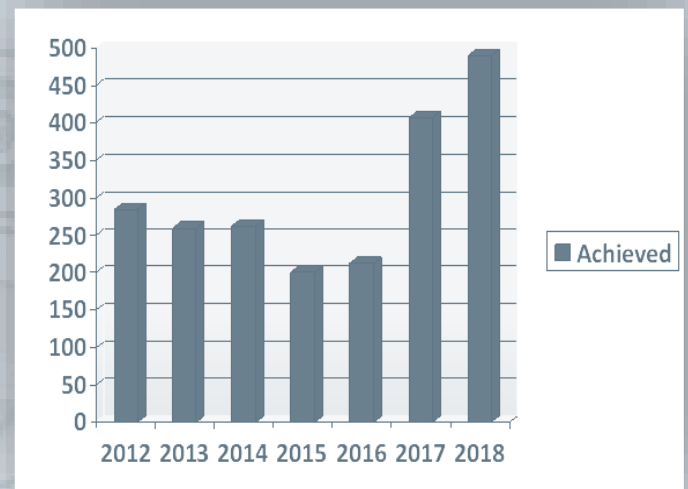
ONDCP Performance Measure: Number of Patrol Officers Receiving Drug Training

In FY 2018, the BIA Indian Police Academy reported a total of 489 law enforcement officers received drug training from BIA OJS.

One hundred fifty-eight (158) students graduated from the Indian Police Academy basic police program, known as the BIA Indian Country Police Officers Training Program, which includes an introduction to drug awareness and investigations.

Seventeen (17) students graduated from FLETCS Criminal Investigator Training Program and the DOI Investigator Training Program, which also included an introduction to drug awareness and investigations. Three hundred fourteen (314) students graduated from the patrol officer drug investigations program, BIA-DEA-DOJ illicit drug trafficking program, and street crime training programs that include drug identification, evidence collection, and officer safety.

An additional one thousand four hundred forty-seven (1,087) community members and service providers graduated from drug training exported to the field offices. The total number of law enforcement trained in 2018 was four hundred and eighty-nine (489). This is a 20% increase of FY17 figures.



Year	# of LEOs Trained
2012	284
2013	260
2014	263
2015	200
2016	312
2017	407
2018	489

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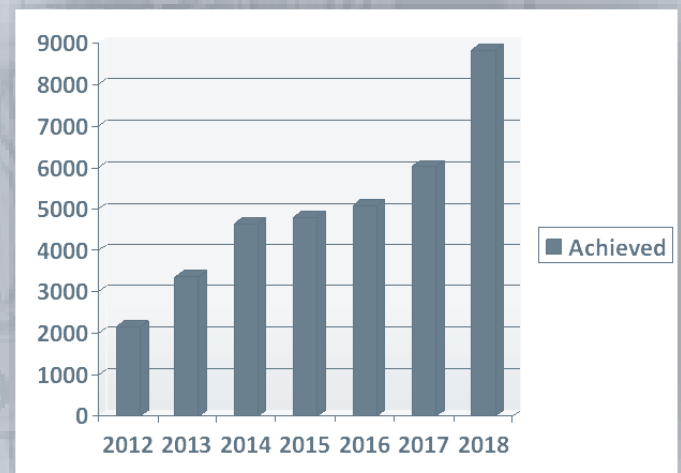
ONDCP Performance Measure: Percent increase in drug cases worked

In FY 2018, there has been an overall increase of approximately 47% in the number of drug cases across all Indian Country law enforcement programs.

The number of drug cases reported and tracked is gleaned from data provided on monthly drug statistical reports provided by BIA and tribal police programs, the DOI IMARS system, and the DDE case log. Data provided by BIA and tribal police programs are maintained by OJS for monthly and annual submissions.

As the number of drug cases reported increases each year, Indian Country continues to see an increase in the use and sale of illegal narcotics on reservations throughout the nation. The following information documents the cases worked by all Indian Country law enforcement programs (BIA, DDE, and Tribal). These figures demonstrate an overall increase of approximately 47% drug cases worked in Indian Country in FY 2018.

Year	# of Drug Cases
2013	2157
2014	3364
2015	4750
2016	5093
2017	6013
2018	8821



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ONDCP Performance Measure: Increase in the amount of drugs seized

In FY 2018, Indian Country law enforcement programs reported an overall increase of approximately 385% in total drugs seized.

Overall, Indian Country saw an exponential increase in methamphetamine seizures and marijuana eradications in FY 2018; consequently causing the 385% surge in the overall seizure total.

Methamphetamine continues to be the most prevalent drug seized from drug operations in Indian Country. Field agents reported a increase in heroin being available in Indian Country and the abundance of methamphetamine being distributed by Mexican cartels has created lower pricing and an easier access to methamphetamines.

Heroin seizures had an increase of 190%; crystal methamphetamine had an increase of 342%, while powder methamphetamine had an increase of 658%, and marijuana plants had an increase of 592% due to a large eradication in the amount of 38,973lbs, while processed marijuana has an increase of 211%.

2018 All Submissions						
Increase in Amount of Drugs Seized	2013 Achieved	2014 Achieved	2015 Achieved	2016 Achieved	2017 Achieved	2018 Achieved
FY 2013, 14, 15,16,17, 18 achieved totals represented in pounds:	48,320	26,830	26,419	16,607	12,900	62,601.49
Cocaine Powder	182.12	28.45	1.00	105.70	54.15	34.19
Cocaine Crack	9.15	.541	.758	.375	0.60	110.56
Heroin	196.11	3.68	5.74	67.83 *	16.49	47.89
MDMA (Ecstasy)	130.04	1.29	.002	29.16	0.29	.33
Meth Crystal	98.11	19.80	64.90	64.21	56.13	248.21
Meth Powder	83.3	11.20	0	20.93	34.88	264.46
Processed Marijuana	9,535	14,883	1,725	2,173	6,223.89	19,413.62
Prescription Drugs Seized	76.15	101.03	96.58	96.21	8.0	53.66
Other Drugs Seized	20.2	84.86	72.29	70.78	409	227.63
Marijuana (# Plants = lbs)	37,990	11,697	24,453	13,979	6,097	42,201

ADDITIONAL SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES (2018)

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A BIA OJS K-9 team conducted a traffic stop with a 2018 Chevrolet Malibu rental vehicle with Florida registration plates on I-40 MM 121 near Laguna Pueblo in New Mexico. The vehicle had been traveling east bound and was stopped for a traffic violation. The driver was a 32 year-old male, United States citizen from Lubbock, Texas and the passenger was a 23 year-old Hispanic male, United States citizen from Irving, Texas. A search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of 106 pounds of marijuana concealed within suitcases and duffle bags. The seizure has an estimated street value of \$200,000.



A BIA OJS K-9 team was monitoring eastbound vehicle traffic on Interstate 40 near mile marker 132 near Laguna Pueblo in New Mexico. A traffic stop was initiated for a speeding violation. During the course of the traffic stop, the K-9 officer detected an overwhelming odor of burnt marijuana emitting from the SUV. An investigative detention was later initiated, which resulted in the K-9 officer conducted a search of the SUV and locating 17.7 lbs. marijuana, 6.6 lbs. liquid THC concentrate, 45.3 lbs. THC wax and 2 cellphones. The seizure has an estimated street value of \$223,000.



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Border Patrol Agents from the Casa Grande Station assisted Tohono O’odham Tribal Police (TOPD) in the arrest of one Mexican national after finding narcotics in large burlap sacks attached to horses near Federal Route 15. A TOPD officer encountered a male subject leading two horses with large burlap sacks near the village of Santa Rosa, Arizona. As the officer approached the subject, the 25-year-old Mexican national left the horses and fled on foot. The officer was able to seize the horses and call for Border Patrol assistance. Agents responded to search for the subject and later arrested him in the vicinity. A search of the bags revealed more than 262 pounds of marijuana and 6 pounds of methamphetamine, with a combined value of more than \$550,000. The illegal alien was arrested for drug smuggling and the case was turned over to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s Homeland Security Investigations.

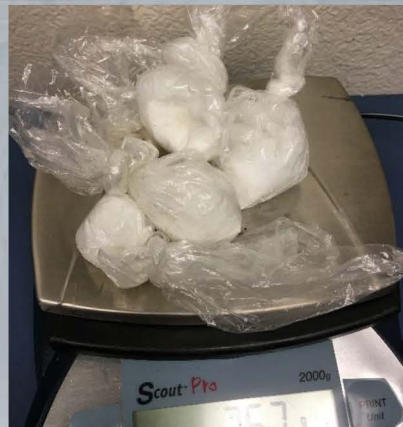


A BIA OJS K-9 team was patrolling the Laguna Indian Pueblo Reservation and monitoring eastbound vehicle traffic on Interstate 40 from the center median. A traffic stop was initiated for a speeding violation. During the course of the traffic stop, the BIA K-9 Officer detected an odor of marijuana emitting from the Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV). A search of the SUV based on the odor of marijuana detected by the BIA Officer and a K9 alert, led to the discovery of approximately 122 lbs. of high grade marijuana concealed in the SUV. The seizure has an estimated street value of \$244,000.



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TruNarc Technology

The BIA DDE Agents regularly seize dangerous drugs such as Methamphetamine, Fentanyl, Carfentanil and other dangerous street drugs. These drugs can be absorbed through the skin during processing and can be deadly if the airborne particulate is inhaled. BIA OJS is proud to announce that during 2018, the agency purchased TruNarc testing devices for field agents. This new tool will help keep our agents safer by reducing exposure to dangerous drugs.

BIA DDE has implemented TruNarcs to promote officer safety and provide field agents with the tools to quickly analyze dangerous drugs with a presumptive test and immediate results. The TruNarc uses a laser to scan through plastic or glass to reduce exposure, minimize contamination, and preserve evidence. The TruNarc devices will also provide a resource that can be shared with Tribal law enforcement agencies throughout the nation.





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