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## **\*MEDIA ADVISORY\***

### **Fentanyl Dealers Arrested**

(WICHITA, Kan.) – Crime Stoppers of Wichita-Sedgwick County has approved a \$2,500 reward for an anonymous tipster whose information led to the arrest of wholesale fentanyl dealers in Wichita.

Wichita Police Department officers arrested 21-year-old Chandra Bray, 26-year-old Michael Parker, and 25-year-old Matthew Lewis – all of Wichita – after a search warrant was conducted at their home in the 6100 block of E. Boston. The three were all booked into the Sedgwick County Jail for various drug and paraphernalia charges.

The arrests come after an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers reported drugs being sold from the residence. Through diligent follow-up work, officers located over 1,000 suspected fentanyl pills, powders, drug paraphernalia, and several stolen firearms.

"This is a great example of the collaboration between Crime Stoppers and our local law enforcement agencies," said Officer Trevor Macy, Crime Stoppers Coordinator. "We rely on the great follow-up work from officers to corroborate the information received through Crime Stoppers, and in this case, it led to something significant."

A \$2,500 reward was approved at Monday's Crime Stoppers board meeting. This reward coincides with Crime Stoppers new efforts to combat the ongoing fentanyl crisis in the Wichita/Sedgwick County community.

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"We're actively targeting fentanyl dealers in Sedgwick County," said Macy. "So if someone has information about a person with large quantities of these pills, they can send that into Crime Stoppers and expect an increased reward if it leads to their arrest."

The Crime Stoppers fentanyl campaign offers up to \$2,500 rewards to tipsters whose information leads to an arrest of a fentanyl wholesaler – or anyone with more than one thousand pills in their possession, intending to sell.

"I think it sends a strong message to the community and the dealers that we won't tolerate this happening here in Sedgwick County," Macy said.

The \$2,500 reward approved Monday is in addition to another \$2,300 in reward money approved for other tips that resulted in felony arrests for crimes ranging from drugs, aggravated assault, and outstanding warrants. As a result, the total amount approved for August is \$4,800 – making it one of the most successful months of crime solving since the program's inception in 1980.

Anyone with information regarding suspected fentanyl sales or any crime in Sedgwick County is eligible to receive a reward by submitting a tip through Crime Stoppers by calling 316-267-2111 or online at [www.stopcrime316.com](http://www.stopcrime316.com). Tipsters are always anonymous – Crime Stoppers will never ask someone to identify themselves. If your information leads to an arrest in a felony case, you could be eligible to receive up to \$2,500.

Crime Stoppers is a division of the non-profit Wichita Metro Crime Commission.

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