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Sheriff Phil Plummer

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On Friday, August 25, 2017 at 8:15 am, a Texas Plated Chevy Tahoe was stopped by the Ohio State Highway Patrol eastbound on Interstate 70 at Milepost #19 in Montgomery County for speed and lane violations. While speaking with the male driver, possible indicators of criminal activity were present. An OSP K-9 was called to the scene and alerted and indicated to the vehicle.

A probable cause search revealed 4 kilos of suspected Fentanyl found in a backpack and 2 purses inside the vehicle. The driver was identified as Jonathan Dwayne Boatner, of Jasper, Texas. Members of the Miami Valley Bulk Smuggling Task Force responded to assist with an interview and processing of the evidence. The task force will pursue federal drug charges through the United States Attorney's office. Boatner was transported to the Montgomery County jail.

“Fentanyl is a huge public safety concern. We have had over 400 deaths from drug overdoses in Montgomery County since the beginning of the year. Please share the dangers of illicit fentanyl and heroin with friends and family to help us fight this epidemic,” said Sheriff Phil Plummer.

The Miami Valley Bulk Smuggling Task Force, which is part of the Ohio Attorney General's Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission, is made up of officers from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Miami Township Police Department, RANGE Task Force, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Homeland Security Investigations, Drug Enforcement Administration and Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.



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