

**FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DRUG TASK FORCE**

1800 North Stephen Carr Memorial Blvd.  
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72704

**AGENDA**

For the meeting to be held on November 12, 2025, at 1:30 P.M., Fayetteville Police Department, Training/Community Room, 1800 North Stephen Carr Memorial, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

1. Roll Call of Control Group members.
2. Approval of minutes from the October 22, 2025, meeting.
3. Financial Report, Fiscal Officer Willie Newman.
4. Report of Task Force, Lieutenant Chris Moad.
5. Other Business
6. Public Comment. \*
7. Set the next meeting's place, date, and time.

Location: **Springdale Administration Building, Community Room  
201 North Spring Ave., Fayetteville, AR.**

Time: **1:30 p.m.** Date: **December**

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9. Adjourn

Please check the Fayetteville City Calendar for any changes or updates.

***\*Public comment at a Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force Control Board meeting shall be allowed for all members of the audience who have signed up prior to the beginning of the agenda item they wish to address. Speakers shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes. The Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force Control Board may allow a speaker additional time or may allow an unsigned-up person to speak by unanimous consent or majority vote.***

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**CONTROL GROUP**

**CHAIRMAN :**

Mr. Mike Reynolds, Chief of Police  
Fayetteville Police Department  
1800 N. Stephen Carr Memorial Blvd.  
Fayetteville, AR 72704  
(479) 587-3500

**VICE-CHAIRMAN :**

Mr. Jay Cantrell, Sheriff  
Washington County Sheriff's Office  
1155 Clydesdale Drive  
Fayetteville, AR 72701  
(479) 444-1850

**MEMBERS :**

Mr. Derek Wright, Chief of Police  
Springdale Police Department  
201 North Spring Avenue  
Springdale, AR 72764  
(479) 750-8128

Mr. Bryan Watts, Chief of Police  
Elkins Police Department  
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Elkins, AR 72753  
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**PROJECT DIRECTOR:**

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Fayetteville Police Department  
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**OPERATIONS COORDINATOR:**

Mr. Charles McIlroy, Sergeant  
Fourth Judicial Drug Task Force  
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**FISCAL OFFICER:**

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Fourth Judicial Drug Task Force  
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**SECRETARY:**

Ms. Cara Murdoch  
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MEETING  
10/22/2025  
M I N U T E S

The Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force Control Board meeting was held on September 24, 2025.

Those present were:

Doug Pope, Captain- Fayetteville Police Department  
Jay Cantrell, Sheriff- Washington County Sheriff's Office  
Bryan Watts, Chief- Elkins Police Department  
Jared Pena, Captain- Springdale Police Department  
Chris Moad, Lieutenant - 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial Drug Task Force  
Willie Newman, Fiscal Officer- Fayetteville Police Department  
Cara Murdoch, Administrative Assistant- 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial Drug Task Force

Derek Hudson, Assistant Chief- Springdale Police Department  
Hannah Bell, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney- Washington County Prosecutor's Office

Guest:

Members of the public.

Captain Doug Pope called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the above-listed members were acknowledged as present. Copies of the minutes from the September 24, 2025, meeting were distributed to all present. Sheriff Jay Cantrell made a motion, seconded by Chief Bryan Watts, to accept the minutes as presented.

A copy of the financial report for Grant FY2025-2026 was distributed to all attendees for review, covering the period from July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025. Fiscal Officer Willie Newman stated that the total expense to date was \$241,505.00, with Drug Crime Funding at \$56,559.00, Prosecutor Coordinator at \$85,317.00, Gulf Coast HIDTA at \$48,392.00, and the remaining \$ 20,324.00 being non-allowed.

Lieutenant Chris Moad reported on the task force's activity from September 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025, and a copy of the statistics was distributed to all present. The task force opened 43 cases in August, closed 35, and made 10 arrests. \$5,920.00 was expended for the purchase of evidence and \$1,080.00 for the purchase of information. Drugs seized during the month included methamphetamine, marijuana, cocaine, crack cocaine, LSD, fentanyl, ecstasy, psilocybin mushrooms, and pharmaceuticals. Moad said that 10 warrants were served. The task force seized \$13,271.00 in U.S. currency and seven firearms during the month. The locations of DTF Enforcement Action for the month were Fayetteville, 22 cases; Springdale, 12 cases; West Fork, 4 cases; Washington County, 2 cases; Elkins, 1 case; Greenland, 1 case; and Prairie Grove, 1 case. Also noted were 15 drug convictions for August.

Lieutenant Chris Moad reported on the following dispositions.

**DTF 25-249 (State of Arkansas v Shelby Sullivan)** was a Drug Task Force arrest in Fayetteville,

resulting in the seizure of \$3,135.00 on June 30, 2025. \$627.00 went to the Arkansas Drug Director's Office, and \$940.50 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office Drug Control Fund. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$1,567.50 go to the Drug Task Force, and the remaining balance be based on current staffing (Fayetteville 37.5%, Springdale 37.5%, WCSO 12.5%, and Rural 12.5%).

**Notes:**

On June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, detectives with the Drug Task Force executed a search warrant on Sullivan's residence. A search of Sullivan's vehicle in the driveway of the residence revealed 95 fentanyl pills and \$3,135.00 US currency. Sullivan was arrested, and the contraband was seized.

Sheriff Jay Cantrell, seconded by Chief Bryan Watts, made a motion to accept this recommendation.

**DTF 25-218 (State of Arkansas v Diego Gallardo)** was a Drug Task Force arrest in Fayetteville, resulting in the seizure of \$718.00 on June 7, 2025. \$143.60 went to the Arkansas Drug Director's Office, and \$215.40 went to the Washington County Prosecutor's Office Drug Control Fund. It was recommended that 15% of the net total of \$359.00 go to the Drug Task Force, and the remaining balance be based on current staffing (Fayetteville 37.5%, Springdale 37.5%, WCSO 12.5%, and Rural 12.5%).

**Notes:**

On June 7, 2025, detectives with the Drug Task Force executed a search warrant on Gallardo's residence. A search of Gallardo's residence revealed 20.12g of cocaine, 12.84g of kratom, one SKS-style rifle, one semi-automatic handgun, one revolver, and \$718.00 US currency with 4<sup>th</sup> JDDTF buy funds comingled. Gallardo was arrested, and the contraband was seized.

Chief Bryan Watts, seconded by Sheriff Jay Cantrell, made a motion to accept this recommendation. The motion was unanimously approved.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Sarah Moore, Arkansas Justice Reform Coalition.

- Many individuals arrested in the area are due to the need for addiction and recovery services, as well as mental health. Often, people are actively seeking recovery services; sometimes, they even try to deal with trying to pay their fines and fees for court, and are not necessarily wanting to be in this type of interaction any longer.

Moore is curious about the thought process in working alongside our prosecutors, public defenders, and the entire system to really think about restorative justice. Moore talked about concerns with people lingering in jail due to not being able to post bail, which causes the person to deteriorate further. Moore went on to say there are recovery centers in Fort Smith that will take these individuals pre-trial, but there are numerous hurdles, such as high bonds, no consideration for individuals to be O.R. (Own Recognizance), and getting individuals into the pathways of care.

Moore would like to see the Control Board speak concerning these items today or in the future. To

have conversations on how to create a greater well-being in our area, so individuals are not just cycling through the system.

India Young, Arkansas Justice Reform Coalition.

- Since forfeiture funds cannot be used for the proposed pilot program, suggested by AJRC during September's meeting, Young suggested using a social worker from the Crisis Intervention Response Team (CIRT) at the Fayetteville Police Department. Young read CIRT's goals: 1. Reduce the criminalization of people who suffer from substance abuse, homelessness, and mental health issues. 2. Identify victims of crime who would benefit from additional community resources and/or counseling. 3. Enhance and increase the community's trust in the Fayetteville Police Department. Young asked that, within the COPS grant and with the funds that are allocated, would like to see social workers be provided two to three days a week to work specifically with the drug task force (DTF). This would allow someone other than the law enforcement officers to be in place, especially for those who have kids who are displaced at the time of arrest.
- Young asked if \$35,215 that the City of Fayetteville gets allocated from the JAG grant could be a source of possible funding for the pilot program?

Micah Sullivan, Arkansas Justice Reform Coalition.

- From Sullivan's personal experience of dealing with drug court and the drug task force, she knows people who have been informants. The way information is obtained, you are having people commit the crimes that you are also arresting people for in the selling and buying of drugs. Sullivan would like to see a social worker with DTF. Sullivan would like someone to see, is that person really selling drugs to actually make a huge buck off of the drug thing, or are they trying to perpetuate enough money to pay for the sack they have in their pocket?

Captain Doug Pope requested a date and time for the next meeting. The next meeting will be on November 12, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., at the Fayetteville Police Department, Community/Training Room, 1800 North Stephen Carr Memorial Blvd., Fayetteville, Arkansas. The meeting was adjourned with a motion made by Sheriff Jay Cantrell, seconded by Chief Bryan Watts.

The meeting was recorded.

**Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force**  
DTF FY2025-2026

For Period Ending October 31, 2025

<u>Account Name</u>	JAG Funding	Drug Crime Funding	Prosecutor Coordinator	Gulf Coast HIDTA	Local JAG	Non-Allowed	Total	Budgeted	Balance
<b>Personnel - Fayetteville</b>									
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	-	18,514	51,917	33,403
Supervisor	-	31,035	11,053	3,684	-	-	45,772	138,392	92,621
Officers	-	32,676	15,995	12,190	-	0	60,861	174,218	113,357
Mandated Benefits	-	-	1,841	454	-	564	2,859	13,644	10,785
Employer Benefits	-	-	27,518	4,207	-	12,828	44,553	131,386	86,833
Total Personnel Fayetteville	-	63,711	56,407	20,535	-	13,392	172,559	509,558	336,999
<b>Maintenance &amp; Operations</b>									
Fayetteville - M&O	-	-	-	2,800	-	10,511	13,311	60,306	46,995
Springdale - M&O	-	-	-	2,800	-	-	2,800	11,400	8,600
Washington County - M&O	-	-	1,219	2,800	-	394	4,412	13,400	8,988
Rural - M&O	-	-	-	2,800	-	-	2,800	8,400	5,600
Total Maintenance & Operations	-	-	1,219	11,200	-	10,905	23,323	93,506	70,182
<b>Purch. Evidence/Purch. Info</b>									
PEPI	-	-	-	25,820	-	-	25,820	73,400	47,580
Total PEPI	-	-	-	25,820	-	-	25,820	73,400	47,580
<b>Travel and Training</b>									
Travel and Training	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	8,000	8,976	976
Total Travel and Training	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	8,000	8,976	976
<b>Contract Personnel</b>									
Springdale	-	12,775	14,683	8,689	-	2,140	44,154	126,449	82,295
Washington County	-	16,462	12,609	4,476	-	922	41,497	145,914	104,418
Rural	-	12,331	11,938	6,182	-	4,021	40,125	125,529	85,404
Total Contract Personnel	-	41,569	39,230	19,347	-	7,083	125,776	397,892	272,116
Total All	-	105,280	96,856	76,901	-	39,380	355,478	1,083,331	727,853

**FOURTH JUDICIAL DRUG TASK FORCE  
MONTHLY REPORT  
GRANT 2025-2026  
October 1, 2025 - October 31, 2025**

	<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>		
<b>I. Cases Opened</b>		50	:	181
	<u>Enforcement Action</u>			
Springdale	20			
Fayetteville	21			
Goshen	1			
Washington County	4			
Madison County	2			
Benton County	2			
<b>II. Cases Closed</b>		26	:	149
<b>III. Arrest Made</b>		11	:	52
<b>IV. Community Meetings</b>		2	:	7
<b>V. Purchase of Evidence</b>		\$11,330.00	:	\$24,600.00
<b>VI. Purchase of Service</b>		\$0.00	:	\$0.00
<b>VII. Purchase of Information</b>		\$740.00	:	\$3,280.00
<b>VIII. Warrants Served</b>		18	:	61
Phone	12			
Location	1			
Residential	5			
<b>IX. Total Drug Amounts</b>				
Marijuana	1,439.36	gr :	4686.13	gr
Methamphetamine (ice)	8,777.84	gr :	20974.32	gr
Cocaine	58.82	gr :	150.09	gr
Crack Cocaine		gr :	0.89	gr
Heroin	4.03	gr :	8.06	gr
LSD	6.6	du :	8.60	du
Ecstasy	5.5	pills :	7.00	pills
MDMA		gr :	10.73	gr
Psilocybin Mushrooms	26.24	gr :	45.40	gr
Fentanyl	93.06	gr :	56.69	gr
Fentanyl		pills :	65.50	pills
Prescription pills	17	du :	146.00	du
Opiates	4	du :	52.00	du
Of which				

Other:

**X. Meth Labs**

Lab	0 : 0
One Pot	0 : 0
Components	0 : 0
Dumpsite	0 : 0

**XI. Firearms**

Seized	20 : 40
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**XII. Assets Seized**

Federal	\$0.00 : \$0.00
State	\$13,075.00 : \$30,633.00
Vehicle	0 : 0

<b>XIII. Drug Trafficking Operations Disrupted</b>	3 : 9
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<b>XIV. Convictions for the Month</b>	6
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