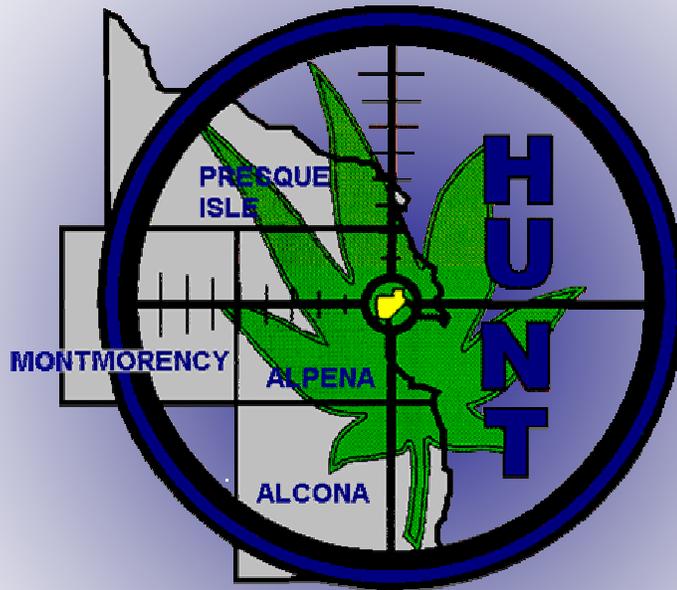


2009



Annual Report

Huron Undercover Narcotics Team

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Overview

The Huron Undercover Narcotics Team respectfully presents this annual report, which is a reflection of the team's accomplishments during the year 2002.

2002 was another successful year for the team, resulting in the seizure/removal of over a quarter of a million dollars worth of drugs from our communities. These seizures consisted of the ever-popular marijuana and cocaine, as well as Ecstasy, Ketamine, and Oxycodone, which have grown in popularity over the past few years.

The team's goal is to reduce sales, use, and abuse of narcotics in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, and Presque Isle. The reduction/control of this activity has a positive impact on other crimes, as well as reduces the availability of narcotics in our schools and urban communities.

HUNT operated with one officer short of past years, due to funding and budget cutbacks. The team consisted of a Detective Lieutenant and Sergeant from the Michigan State Police and Detectives from the city of Alpena, the Presque Isle County Sheriff Department, and the Michigan State Police. These officers are specially trained in narcotics investigations, as well as undercover operations, surveillance, and raid entry. This specialized training has proven to be effective in combating the drug activity in our communities, as well as providing assistance to local law enforcement agencies when a need arises for such expertise.

The following pages include the team's activities and statistics for the year 2002, in comparison to previous years, highlights of several significant cases that were encountered during the year, and the team's cost of operation.

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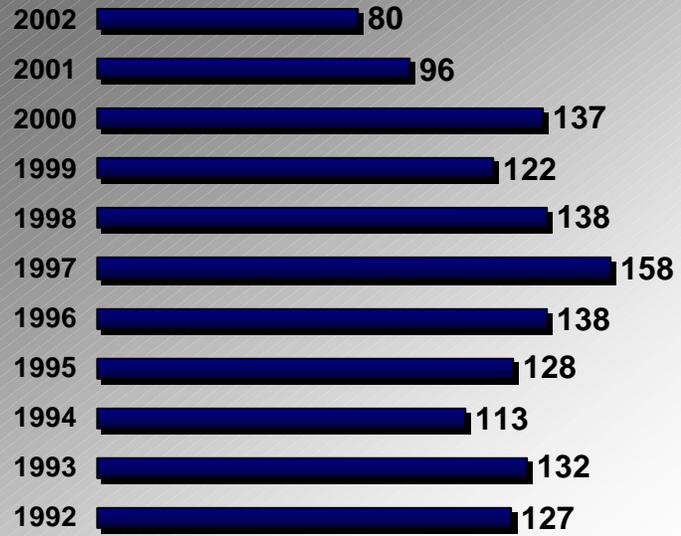
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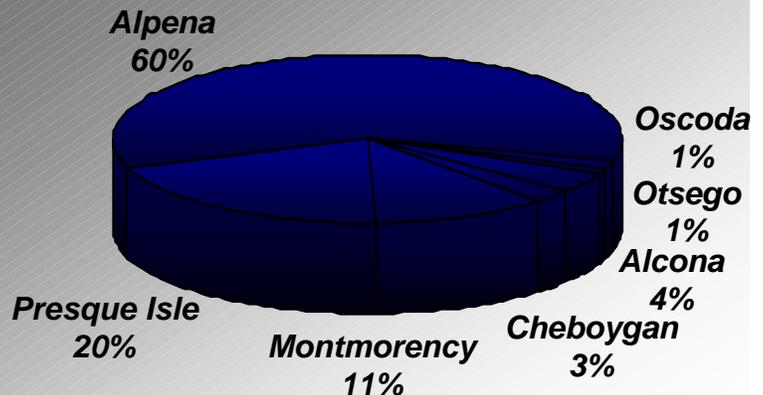
Investigations

HUNT initiated 80 new investigations during the year 2002. As a result of those investigations, 53 arrest warrants were issued, and 19 are still pending. The total being 72 out of 80, or 90%.



Investigations By County

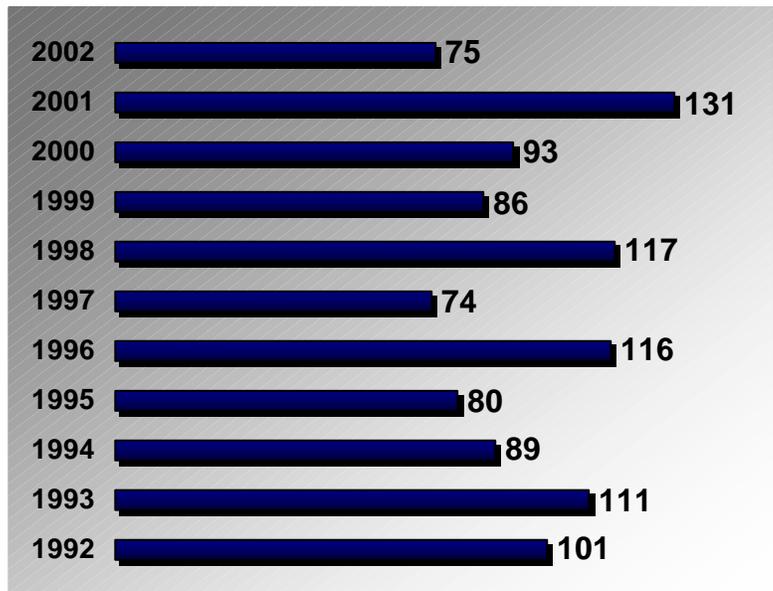
Alcona	3
Alpena	48
Cheboygan	2
Montmorency	9
Oscoda	1
Otsego	1
Presque Isle	16



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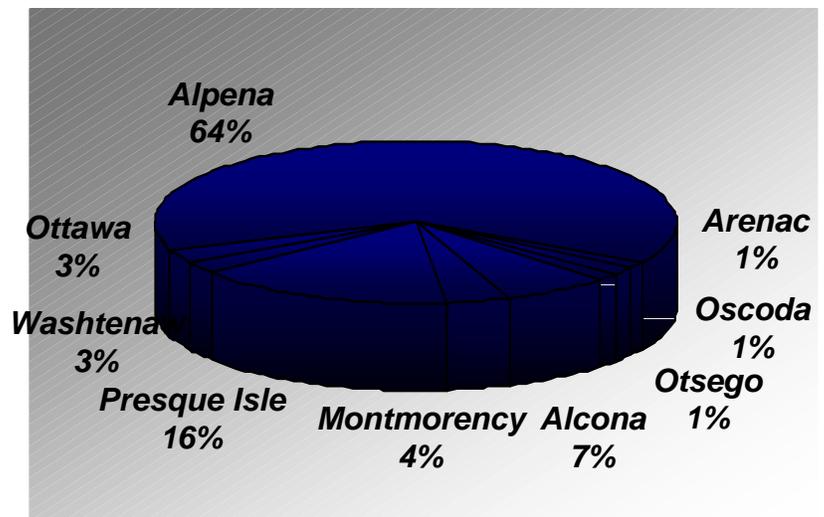
Persons Arrested

Of the 75 people HUNT arrested in 2002, 39 had previous criminal histories, and 15 had previously been arrested by HUNT.



Persons Arrested By County

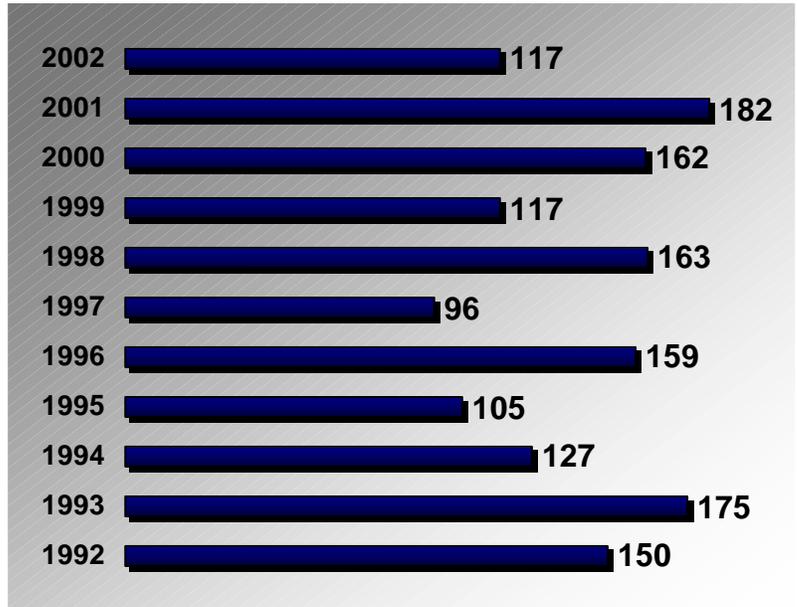
Alcona	5
Alpena	48
Arenac	1
Montmorency	3
Oscoda	1
Otsego	1
Ottawa	2
Presque Isle	12
Washtenaw	2



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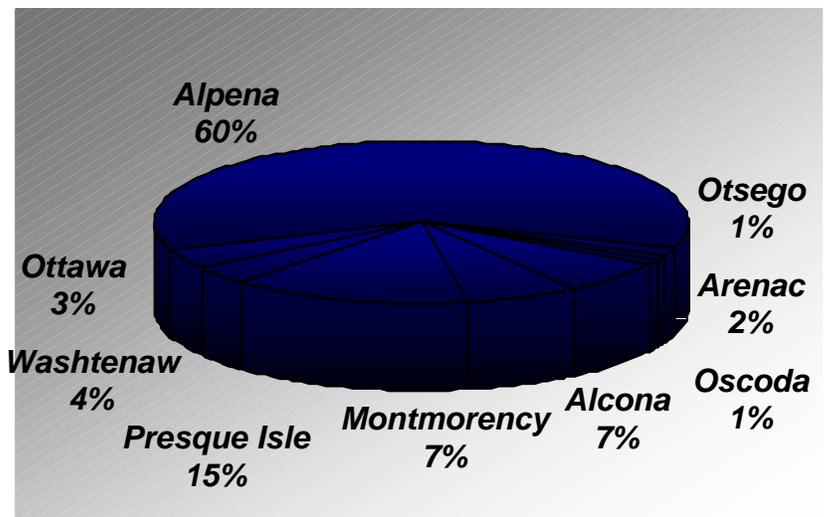
Arrest Counts

Of the 117 arrest counts HUNT obtained warrants for, 92 were for felony charges, and 25 for misdemeanor charges.



Arrest Counts By County

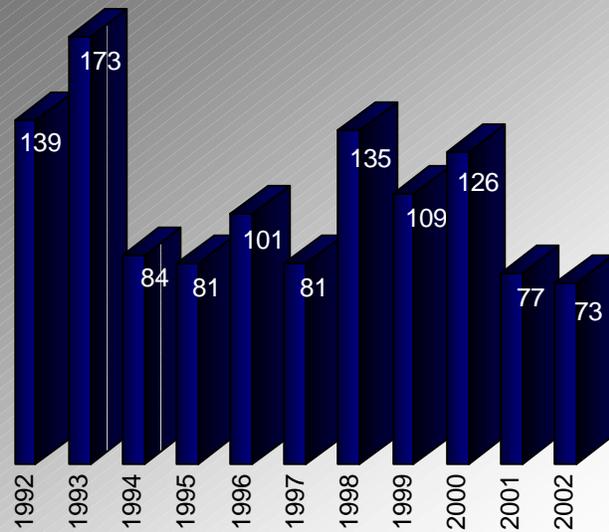
Alcona	8
Alpena	71
Arenac	2
Montmorency	8
Oscoda	1
Otsego	1
Ottawa	4
Presque Isle	17
Washtenaw	5



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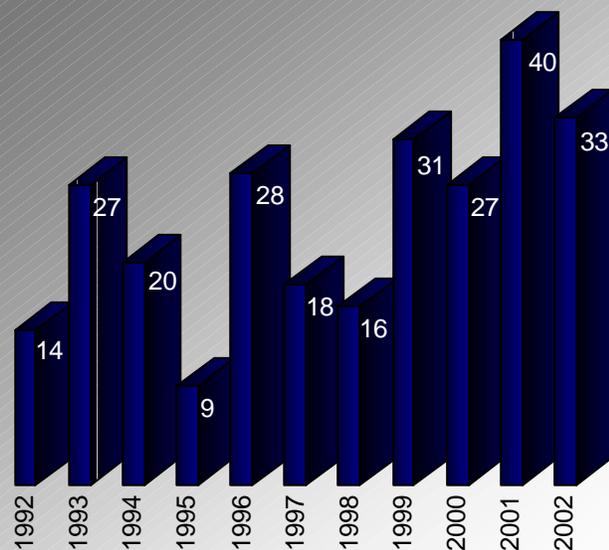
Intelligence Reports

Intelligence reports are entered into the Statewide Information System (STATIS), which is a statewide computerized system for the sharing of criminal investigatory information among state, federal, county, and local law enforcement agencies.



Search Warrants

HUNT conducted 33 search warrants in the year 2002, during which 22 minor children were present, with follow-up reports being sent to Protective Services.



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Drug Seizures

The following drugs were seized via controlled purchases and/or search warrants. Though Marijuana still seems to be the drug of choice, others, such as Ecstasy and Oxycodone are increasing in popularity.



Drug	Amount Seized	Street Value
Cocaine	85 grams	\$9,361
Ecstasy	503 Tablets	\$15,090
Ketamine	25 Dosage Units	\$718
Marijuana	18.3 Pounds 244 Plants	\$262,300
Oxycodone	62 Tablets	\$1,240
Prescriptions	213 Units	\$2,883
Total Street Value		-\$291,592

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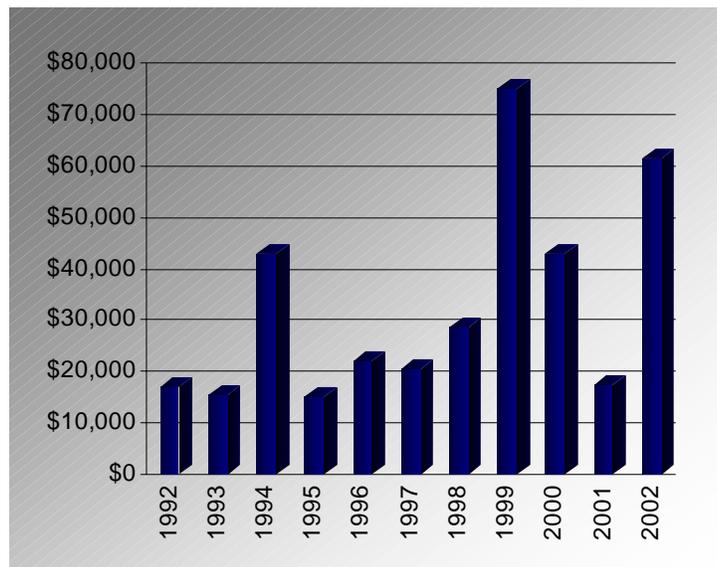
Property Seizures

HUNT seized \$98,325 worth of property, all of which was used to facilitate drug trafficking, or purchased with proceeds from a drug trafficking enterprise. A substantial amount of these seizures are still pending adjudication.



Forfeiture Proceeds

\$61,441 in forfeiture proceeds was adjudicated during the year. These proceeds were obtained through sale of seized items at public auction, retention of seized funds, settlements on real property, and federal forfeiture sharing.

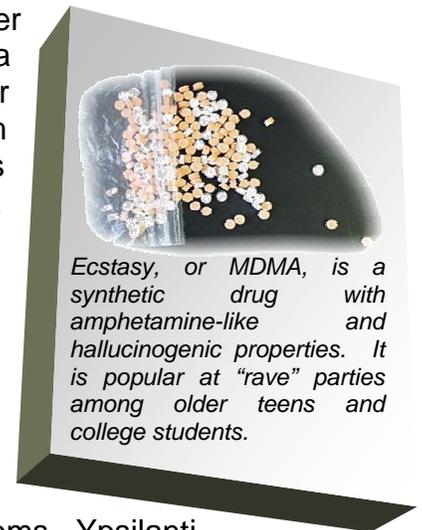


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Significant Cases

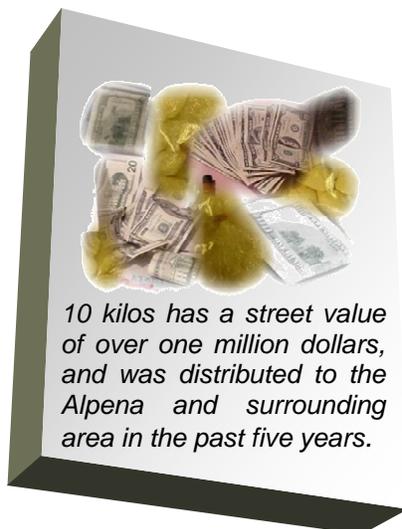
AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE DISTRIBUTION OF ECSTASY IN MONTMORENCY COUNTY LEADS TO THE ARREST OF ONE OF THE LARGEST DISTRIBUTORS OF ECSTASY IN SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

The investigation began when one of HUNT's undercover officers made a controlled purchase of Ecstasy from a suspect in Montmorency County. The undercover officer then made arrangements for a larger purchase directly from the suspect's source. Subsequently, three large purchases of Ecstasy were made from the original suspect's source. One purchase took place in Alpena County, and two in Ypsilanti, where the source lived. The arrest of this source led to the arrest of his source, who was one of the largest distributors of Ecstasy in Southeast Michigan. This distributor was obtaining his narcotics from Canada, and is known to have been distributing them in both Ohio and Michigan. The suspect was federally indicted for distribution of MDMA. This investigation was the result of a cooperative effort between HUNT, DEA, LAWNET, Customs, Ypsilanti Police Department, and the Eastern Michigan University Police Department.



Ecstasy, or MDMA, is a synthetic drug with amphetamine-like and hallucinogenic properties. It is popular at "rave" parties among older teens and college students.

COCAINE DISTRIBUTION RING UNCOVERED



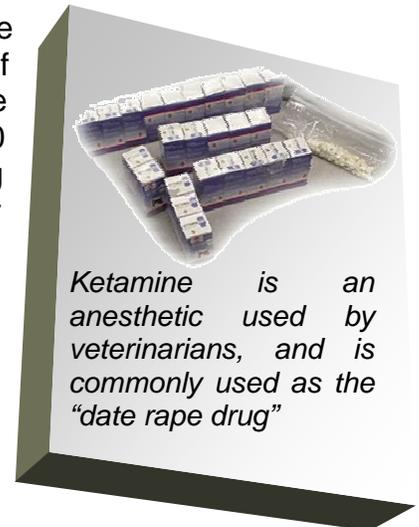
10 kilos has a street value of over one million dollars, and was distributed to the Alpena and surrounding area in the past five years.

HUNT officers received a tip that cocaine was being distributed from a room in a local hotel. Follow-up investigation identified two individuals from the Southwestern Michigan area, involved in a conspiracy with three local individuals. This conspiracy had been in place for over five years, and had involved the distribution of between 10 and 12 kilos of cocaine. The investigation resulted in 2 search warrants being executed in the local area, as well as 2 in the Southwestern Michigan area (those being coordinated by the Drug Enforcement Administration). Both Southwestern Michigan suspects were indicted for conspiracy to deliver cocaine. The investigation continues on a local level, and has revealed a cocaine distribution network that involves numerous additional individuals.

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HUNT INVESTIGATION LEADS TO THE SEIZURE OF 500 ECSTASY PILLS AND 25 BOTTLES OF KETAMINE (DATE RAPE DRUG)

Detectives from HUNT identified a suspect from the Brighton area, who was distributing a substantial amount of Ecstasy. HUNT made contact with the DEA and the LAWNET team, and effected a controlled purchase of 400 Ecstasy pills in a public parking lot in Brighton. During surveillance of the purchase, officers noted that counter surveillance was being conducted. Immediately following the transaction, both vehicles (the suspect who delivered the Ecstasy in the parking lot, and the counter surveillance vehicle) were stopped. The counter surveillance vehicle turned out to be driven by the suspect's source. An additional 100 hits of Ecstasy were recovered from the source's vehicle, as well as 25 bottles of Ketamine. Both suspects were federally indicted for distribution of MDMA.



DOWNSTATE RESIDENT DISTRIBUTING MARIJUANA AND COCAINE IN ALPENA COUNTY

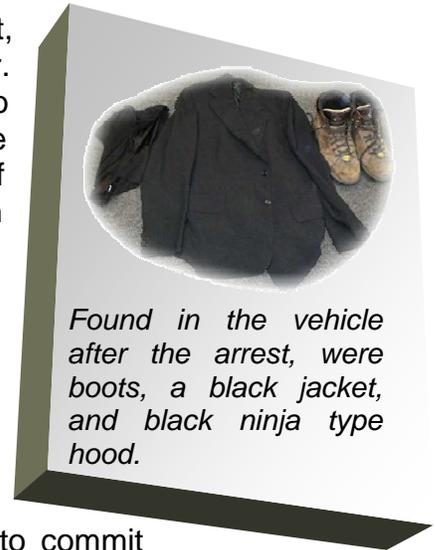


During a controlled purchase of marijuana from a residence in Alpena County, the suspect advised that he would have to "trip" to his source to get the marijuana. Surveillance identified his source as staying in a local hotel. Following the completion of the controlled purchase, search warrants were executed at both locations, resulting in the seizure of approximately one pound of marijuana from the original suspect, who was an area resident, and approximately two pounds of marijuana, one quarter ounce of cocaine, and over \$9,000.00 in cash, from the source's hotel room. This source was a former Alpena area resident who was currently residing downstate, and trafficking the drugs to this area for sale. The source was subsequently arrested for possession with intent to deliver marijuana, and possession with intent to deliver cocaine.

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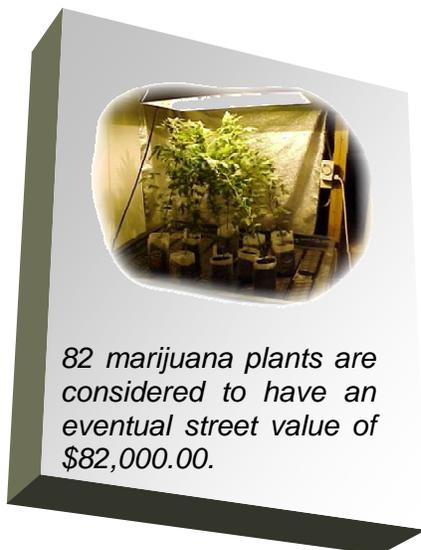
NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING LEADS TO VIOLENT CRIME

HUNT detectives learned, through a confidential informant, of a violent crime being planned against a drug trafficker. Officers learned that two suspects were planning to burglarize the home of this drug trafficker, which the suspects claimed contained a substantial amount of marijuana and money. HUNT officers began surveillance, both audio and visual, on these suspects. Through audio transmitter, officers heard plans of physical violence intended against the victim, as well as plans of the suspects to stop at a friend's house and pick up an SKS assault rifle prior to arriving at the victim's home. While in route to commit this act, the suspects were stopped, and arrested by HUNT officers. Both suspects were charged with conspiracy to kidnap, assault with intent to rob while armed, and conspiracy to commit home invasion, first degree.



Through information gained via the above described audio surveillance, and other investigative resources, a search warrant was obtained and executed on the targeted residence. The residence contained an elaborate indoor grow operation, as well as a substantial amount of processed marijuana. The suspect (intended victim) admitted to having grown and sold marijuana for most of his adult life. Living in the residence with this suspect, were his two minor children, and their mother.

INDOOR MARIJUANA GROW OPERATION UNCOVERED



An anonymous tip was received regarding an indoor grow operation in Alcona County. HUNT officers initiated an investigation, and subsequently enough information was gained to obtain a search warrant for the residence. An elaborate grow operation was discovered within the home, which contained 82 growing marijuana plants. Approximately 1/3 pound of processed marijuana was also discovered, along with \$500.00 in cash. Upon HUNT's arrival at the residence, an individual was leaving, and was found to be in possession of marijuana. The suspect/homeowner has since been arrested for manufacturing marijuana.

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Funding Sources

(FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2002)

<i>Alcona County</i>	19,000
<i>Alpena City</i>	30,000
<i>Alpena County</i>	11,276
<i>Michigan State Police</i>	213,024
<i>Montmorency County</i>	4,750
<i>O.D.C.P. (Grant)</i>	130,109
<i>Onaway City</i>	1,000
<i>Presque Isle County</i>	19,000
<i>Rogers City</i>	4,000
<i>Restitution</i>	6,089
<i>Interest</i>	2,963
<i>Forfeiture Proceeds</i>	51,355
<i>Previous Years Forfeiture</i>	11,552

Total Operating Costs 504,118

Conclusion

2002 was HUNT's twelfth year of operation, and was another successful one. I would like to commend the counties, cities, and law enforcement agencies that support the team, both monetarily and operationally. At this time in our nation's unrest, the enforcement of narcotics laws becomes increasingly important, as it is known that drug trafficking promotes other violent crimes, as well as terrorism. Every effort will be made by the HUNT team to reduce the narcotics trafficking in Northeast Michigan, and in turn, improve on the safety and quality of life for those in our communities.

Respectfully,



**D/Lt. Rick M. Schultz
Unit Commander**