

# ***THE L.E.A.D. TASK FORCE***

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## Press Release

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For Immediate Release

Date: 3/30/2010

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### Two Count Drug Trafficking Indictment Served

On Tuesday March 30, 2010 L.E.A.D. Detectives served a Tuscarawas County Grand Jury Indictment on William J. Collias (56) at his residence located at 128 ½ 2nd Street N.W. in New Philadelphia.

Collias is charged with one fourth degree felony count of Trafficking in Drugs within 1000 feet of a school and one fifth degree felony count of Permitting Drug Abuse.

Investigators became aware of Collias participating in illegal drug activities while working other drug cases in Tuscarawas County and were able to conduct undercover drug buys from him as well as another person who frequents his home. Collias made the calls for the drugs to be delivered to his residence allowing it to be used for trafficking.

Both charges were the result of sales of crack cocaine as well as powder cocaine. Additional charges may be filed on other persons who are connected with this case.

William J. Collias remains in the Tuscarawas County Jail pending arraignment in Common Pleas Court at a later date.

L.E.A.D. Detective Chaz Willett

L.E.A.D. Detective Scott Ballentine

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