



Division of Narcotics Enforcement

Created in 1987, the Division of Narcotics Enforcement (DNE) was established to serve as the lead agency in the state providing public safety through investigative enforcement of laws relating to narcotics and other controlled substances. The mission statement of the Division is “With Pride and Integrity, Provide a Professional Service to the People in Significantly Reducing the Supply of Illicit Controlled Substances through Specialized Enforcement and Training.” In addition to targeting major distributors/sources of controlled substances, the Division is actively involved in the investigation of drug-related financial conspiracies, clandestine laboratories, marijuana eradication, the diversion of pharmaceuticals, gang-related activities, and assistance in drug interdictions. Successful investigations and prosecutions of drug cases are due in large part to the Division’s cooperative efforts with other local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies.

Director Kevin Frampton



Kevin started his law enforcement career with the Department of Public Safety in 1978 when he was first assigned to the Capitol Police Division. In 1980, Kevin was promoted to Trooper with the Iowa State Patrol Division where he had assignments in the Cedar Rapids area as well as the Des Moines area. While assigned to the State Patrol he was a member of the tactical response team, a defensive tactics instructor, physical fitness instructor and field training officer. In 1989, Kevin was promoted to Special Agent with the Division of Narcotics Enforcement and worked drug investigations for nearly 12 years.

As a DNE agent he was Clan Lab certified and a Site Safety supervisor. He was also assigned to the Des Moines DEA Task Force for several years and was a K-9 handler for the division. In 2001, Kevin was selected as the Assistant Bureau Chief in the Professional Standards Bureau where he conducted administrative investigations for the department. In 2003, Kevin was promoted to Special Agent in Charge and assigned as the Bureau Chief of the Professional Standards Bureau.

In 2006, Kevin was selected as the Executive Officer to the Commissioner of Public Safety. In addition to working closely with the Commissioner, he also collaborated with the Directors of Administrative Services, Division of Criminal Investigation,

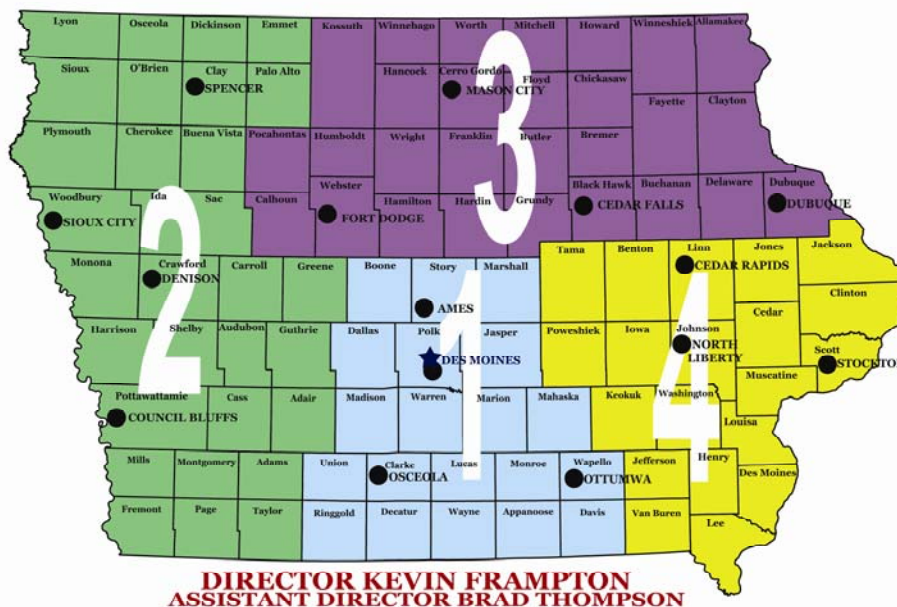
Division of Narcotics Enforcement, State Fire Marshal Division and the Iowa State Patrol Division regarding the day to day operations of the Department. Kevin's duties included overseeing the functions of the Intelligence Fusion Center, Public Information Bureau, Professional Standards Bureau, and the Training and Recruitment Bureau. Kevin became Director of the DNE in 2008.

Kevin is a 1978 graduate of Central Missouri State University with a BS in Criminal Justice Administration. Kevin is also a 2006 graduate of the Certified Public Management Program at Drake University and a 2008 graduate of the Leadership Iowa program. In 2009, Kevin graduated from Drake University with a Master's of Public Administration. Kevin is the Chair on the Midwest HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) fiscal planning committee and the Vice Chair on the Midwest HIDTA Executive Board. Kevin is also the Vice Chair of the National Virtual Pointer System (NVPS) Coordinating Committee.

The Division of Narcotics Enforcement has 47 sworn officers and 5 civilian employees. The Division has 16 offices throughout the state, including the headquarters office in Des Moines. Special Agents initiate investigations on major drug traffickers who supply controlled substances that are sold and used in Iowa. Additionally, agents respond to requests from local jurisdictions and task forces for assistance with their cases. Many investigations are also coordinated and conducted in cooperation with federal and out-of-state law enforcement agencies.

DIVISION OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT ZONE MAP

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The Division provides drug-related training to state, county, and city law enforcement, often with the cooperation and support of other local, state, and federal personnel. The Division also serves as the central repository for special purpose monies that are disseminated to authorized agencies and/or personnel.

In addition to the investigative and enforcement services provided by the Division, DNE coordinates other resources and services with the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP), the Iowa National Guard, the Department of Defense, and the Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA).

Although the focus of DNE's investigative efforts are on methamphetamine, ICE methamphetamine, powder and crack cocaine, and marijuana trafficking, there has also been an emerging threat with pharmaceuticals. During fiscal year 2010, DNE seizures of some controlled substances decreased; however, seizures of heroin increased 364%, from 44.3 grams in fiscal year 2009 to 205.4 grams in fiscal year 2010; seizures of marijuana increased 36%, from 20,853.32 ounces in fiscal year 2009 to 28,305 ounces in fiscal year 2010; seizures of marijuana plants also increased 428%, from 719 in fiscal year 2009 to 3,797 in fiscal year 2010; seizures of methamphetamine increased 34%, from 28,222.7 grams in fiscal year 2009 to 37,869.61 grams in fiscal year 2010; and seizures of pharmaceuticals increased 118%, from 1,162 dosage units in fiscal year 2009 to 2,533 dosage units in fiscal year 2010.



Seizures Fiscal Year 2010

Cocaine.....	6,265.6 grams
Crack Cocaine.....	583.2 grams
Heroin.....	205.4 grams
Marijuana.....	28,305.0 ounces
Marijuana Plants.....	3,797
Methamphetamine.....	37,869.61 grams
ICE.....	1,504.1 grams
Pseudoephedrine.....	4.2 grams + 520 du
Ecstasy.....	279 du
Pharmaceuticals.....	2,533.25 du
Rifles.....	66
Shotguns.....	76
Handguns.....	50
Vehicles.....	47
Cash.....	\$736,997.00

Clandestine Laboratories

From the early 1990's until mid 2005, clandestine laboratories manufacturing methamphetamine were an ever increasing problem within the state. Chemicals used to manufacture the controlled substance presented environmental and explosive hazards to areas surrounding the lab sites. To ensure the safety of both the officers and neighboring citizens, it was essential that well-trained individuals dismantle and remove the illegal laboratories.



In order to address this problem, the Division of Narcotics Enforcement and the Department of Public Safety assembled a Clandestine Laboratory Emergency Response Team (CLERT), which was the first one of its kind in the Midwest. The team was comprised of specially trained agents and officers from Division of Narcotics Enforcement, the State Fire Marshal Division, and the Iowa State Patrol Division. The team responded to requests within the Department and from other law enforcement agencies in the state. The clandestine lab team entered and

dismantled methamphetamine laboratories and provided safe and environmentally sound disposal procedures for the chemicals found in these laboratories. Instead of a designated team, clan labs are now investigated and dismantled by lab certified agents of the Division of Narcotics Enforcement and local law enforcement officers in the state.

Calendar Year	Labs Seized
1996	31
1997	63
1998	321
1999	502
2000	393
2001	511
2002	709
2003	671
2004	644
2005	346
2006	345
2007	178
2008	72
2009	92
2010*	65

***As of June 30, 2010**

(The above numbers only reflect DNE methamphetamine lab seizures, not those seized by local law enforcement agencies.)

In an effort to address the number of methamphetamine labs seized in the state during fiscal year 2005, the Division of Narcotics Enforcement partnered with the Governor’s Office of Drug Control Policy and law enforcement agencies throughout the state to lobby for legislation to make pseudoephedrine (an ingredient used in the meth manufacturing process), a Schedule V Controlled Substance in Iowa. The Pseudoephedrine Control Law was passed by the legislature and signed by former Governor Vilsack, and it became effective May 21, 2005. This bill was the strongest pseudoephedrine legislation in the country at that time.

With the reclassification of pseudoephedrine as a Schedule V Controlled Substance, packages containing pseudoephedrine sold at retail establishments are required to be locked up or behind a counter. The law also requires consumers to show photo identification and sign a log book at the time of purchase, and limits are placed on the amount of pseudoephedrine a customer can purchase, separately or collectively, each month. Results of the benefit of the legislation can be observed in the dramatic decline in labs seized. In calendar year 2004, 644 labs were seized as compared to 348 labs in 2005, 116 in 2006, 42 in 2007, 72 in 2008 and 92 in 2009. As of June 30, 2010, the DNE has responded to 65 clandestine methamphetamine laboratories.

Drug Endangered Children Program

The Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Program was instituted for the health and safety of children who have been exposed to methamphetamine labs and the precursors involved in manufacturing the drug.

In fiscal year 2010, 77 children were found to be affected by exposure to drugs and drug usage. While children located at clan lab sites were the initial focus, the program was expanded to include children found at homes and sites where other drugs are being used, trafficked or disseminated. Exposure to these drugs can cause both short and long term effects—physically, mentally, and psychologically.

The Drug Endangered Children program is a multi-discipline initiative designed to break the cycle of neglect and abuse associated with substance abusing caregivers. This approach leverages the resources of the criminal justice system, human services, juvenile court, and the public health system to specifically address the safety and well-being of children, and hold neglectful and abusive parents accountable. The DEC program was initiated in Appanoose, Polk, and Dubuque counties and has since expanded to many other counties throughout the state.

The funding began with \$25,000, which was seized from a methamphetamine manufacturer. The Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy, the Polk County Attorney's Office through grants, and the DNE with assistance from COPS grants, have provided additional funding to help support the program.

Marijuana Eradication



During the 2010 fiscal year, approximately 3,797 marijuana plants were eradicated in the State of Iowa. This included marijuana plants seized from indoor and outdoor grow operations. The Division of Narcotics Enforcement continues to work with the Iowa National Guard, county sheriff's offices, police departments, and multi-jurisdictional task forces on eradication efforts.

In addition, the DNE continues to maintain a toll free "hotline" to allow citizens to report suspected drug and marijuana activity. The hotline has proven to be a great benefit with tips on drug activity, and for individuals who wish to cooperate further with DNE.

Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)

In February of 1997, Iowa became one of the five Midwest states (Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, and South Dakota) to form the methamphetamine specific Midwest HIDTA. The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) allocated federal monies to five Midwestern states to combat the growing methamphetamine epidemic. During fiscal year 1999, North Dakota joined the Midwest HIDTA.

The Midwest HIDTA promotes a comprehensive, cooperative strategy by law enforcement at the federal, state, and local levels to address the problem of methamphetamine and other controlled substances. Iowa's HIDTA enforcement initiative is to measurably reduce the amount of controlled substances distributed in the state of Iowa by coordinating efforts against importation and distribution organizations, as well as against manufacturers of methamphetamine within the state. The DNE serves as the central coordinating agency in Iowa, with the Director of the Division serving as a member of the HIDTA Executive Board and a member of the Midwest HIDTA Fiscal Planning committee.

Agencies receiving HIDTA funds in Iowa include the United States Attorney's Offices, the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), six county and municipal law enforcement agencies, the Division of Narcotics Enforcement, the Division of Criminal Investigation, and the Department of Public Safety Intelligence

Bureau. During fiscal year 2010, monies appropriated to the DNE maintained five Special Agent positions and one support personnel.

Also during the 2010 fiscal year, through supplemental funding, Midwest HIDTA expanded its focus to include Domestic Highway Enforcement (DHE). The six Midwest HIDTA states received funding to enhance their highway enforcement efforts through coordinated training, enforcement operations, and the collection and dissemination of information. Special Agents in the Division of Narcotics Enforcement assist in interdiction efforts with the Iowa State Patrol by conducting follow-up investigations.

Training

In addition to conducting investigations during fiscal year 2010, the Division of Narcotics Enforcement provided instruction and training throughout the state for law enforcement officers, dispatchers, and prosecutors. DNE Special Agents provided training and made informational presentations to business and civic leaders, teachers, parents, school administrators, Department of Human Services case workers, correctional officers, and emergency medical technicians. Approximately 1,080 people received training or information in the following areas:

- Drug Conspiracies and Interdictions
- Pharmaceutical/Drug Diversion
- Drug Awareness and Trends
- Undercover Operations
- Courtroom Testimony
- Confidential Informant Development & Management
- Drug Identification & Law
- Drug Endangered Children

In addition to the above topics, the Division conducted approximately eleven (11) clandestine lab awareness training programs to nearly 288 people, including sworn law enforcement and corrections officers, fire fighters, HAZMAT personnel, public utility workers, medical personnel, teachers, administrators and students. Additionally, the Division conducted five (5) eight-hour clandestine lab re-certification courses to 195 law enforcement officers in Iowa and Minnesota.

Coordinating Efforts

In addition to the investigative and enforcement responsibilities provided by the Division of Narcotics Enforcement, the Division coordinates other resources and services through the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy, the Iowa National Guard, and the Department of Defense.

During the past fiscal year, through the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy, the Division managed the dissemination and bookkeeping associated with undercover funds disbursed to local task forces. With the assistance and resources of the Iowa National Guard, the DNE coordinates analytical support personnel for all of the federal and approximately half of the state task forces in Iowa.

The DNE is the designated lead agency for the Department of Defense's 1033 Program (counter-drug military equipment). Military surplus items such as vehicles, kevlar helmets, weapons, and computer equipment can be obtained through this program. Application for access to this program must be made to the Division Director's secretary, and any equipment obtained through this program must be utilized strictly for law enforcement, with an emphasis placed on counter-drug and counter-terrorism.