

Ohio Investigative Unit



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OIU Agents cite carry out for food stamp fraud violations

(Canton) – Ohio Investigative Unit agents conducted a search warrant at an Akron carry out on Tuesday, May 17. Agents issued administrative citations against Nagara II, Inc., also known as Far Less Food Market, 854 East Buchtel Avenue in Akron. The liquor permit was cited for the following:

- Ten counts of illegal possession of electronic benefit transfer (EBT)
- Six counts of trafficking in EBT
- Five counts of illegal use of EBT
- Five counts of theft offense
- One count of disorderly activity

Possible criminal charges will be presented to the Summit County Common Pleas Court. Once any and all criminal cases are complete, administrative charges will be presented to the Ohio Liquor Control Commission for their consideration. Possible penalties include fines, suspension or revocation of the liquor permit.

If you know of locations participating misusing food stamps, contact OIU at #677.

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The Ohio State Highway Patrol's Ohio Investigative Unit agents are plain-clothed fully sworn peace officers. OIU is charged with enforcing the state's liquor laws and is the only state law enforcement agency specifically tasked with investigating food stamp fraud crimes. Agents also investigate tobacco violations. Follow OIU on Facebook at

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