Local Task Forces Partner—

On the afternoon of May 19th, the Cannon River Valley Drug and Violent Offender Task Force, the South Central Drug Investigation Unit and the Owatonna Police Department partnered on a search warrant executed in the 500 block of South Cedar Avenue. During the course of executing the warrant, agents uncovered a felony amount of marijuana and indicia of occupancy of the persons living at the residence. In addition, Ecstasy pills, Fentanyl, a .45 caliber pistol, handgun magazines and ammunition were found in the home. Two subjects, brothers, Shawn and Darell Brown were arrested and jailed. Darell Brown, age 26 of Chicago, has been charged with 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance. Shawn Brown, age 33 of Owatonna, has been charged with 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, [Unlawful] Possession of Ammunition and [Unlawful] Possession of Firearm. Court records show Shawn Brown was previously convicted of a crime of violence and is ineligible to possess a firearm or ammunition.

Recovered Stolen—

On May 19th, Owatonna officers received information of a stolen vehicle from Faribault and an association to the City of Owatonna. Later that night, an Owatonna sergeant was patrolling near the Holiday Inn and spotted the stolen vehicle and a male walking toward it—the person determined by the Faribault Police Department to be the suspect in the stolen vehicle case. The suspect was approached and made an admission to possession of the vehicle. The male was placed in handcuffs and a search of a bag he was carrying uncovered the keys to the stolen vehicle. A search of the stolen vehicle uncovered the suspect’s wallet and identification. Jacob Farness, age 28 of Anoka, has been charged with Receiving Stolen Property.

Shots Fired Investigation—

A shots fired incident occurred in the City of Owatonna on Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 4:36 PM. at 867 Willowbrook Street Northeast. A witness reported seeing a vehicle parked at this location and three people standing around the car. The witness reported a single male pulled out a black handgun and fired the handgun at a male and female. The male and female victims in this case have not been identified or reported the incident. No injuries have been reported in this incident and no arrests have been made. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the Owatonna Police Department at 507-774-7207.