

# Metro Drug Task Force

## Contact

The Metro Drug Task Force can be contacted at (509) 585-5595.

## Program Contributors

The Metro Drug Task Force is a federally funded unit comprised of Tri-City area law enforcement agencies that target higher-level drug dealers in the region. The following agencies contribute personnel to the Task Force:

- [Benton County Prosecutor's Office](#)
- [Franklin County Prosecutor's Office](#)
- [Benton County Sheriff's Office](#)
- [Franklin County Sheriff's Office](#)
- [Kennewick Police Department](#)
- [Pasco Police Department](#)
- [Richland Police Department](#)
- [Washington State Patrol](#)
- [West Richland Police Department](#)

## Mission Statement

The Tri-City Metro Drug Task Force is dedicated to the disruption of narcotic trafficking in the region at the mid- to upper-level violator and organizational levels.

## Goals

- Discourage the attractiveness of the region by denying traffickers proceeds of their crimes
- Intercept supplies of narcotics in the Task Force's region of responsibility
- Support local law enforcement efforts to remove street dealers by providing intelligence, support, equipment and training

## Funding

The Tri-City Metro Drug Task Force was formally organized and received its first federal grant in January 1988. The grant is entitled the Justice Assistance Grant Multi Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force Program, also known as the Byrne Grant. The funding is awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Program, and is disbursed and monitored by the Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development. The Washington State Patrol assists in monitoring, training and supplying personnel statewide.