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Portland Business Alliance Applauds Portland Police's Successful Mission to  
Combat Drug Dealing in Old Town/Chinatown Neighborhood

Portland, Ore. – Today, the Portland Police Department's Central Precinct released information about its recently completed mission to fight the rising number of drug dealing activities in Old Town/Chinatown. The Portland Business Alliance and downtown property owners and businesses were active supporters of the mission and are pleased by the 86 warrants that have been issued for drug dealing crimes.

"The Portland Police Department's Central Precinct responded quickly and effectively to complaints from Old Town/Chinatown property owners and businesses who had seen a spike in drug dealing activity," said Sandra McDonough, President and CEO of the Portland Business Alliance. "The impact from this mission is already being felt in Old Town/Chinatown as drug dealing activity has dropped significantly.

"This mission's success demonstrates how our community – businesses, residents, the City and police – can work together to address challenges and make Portland an even better place to live work and play. We hope that neighborhoods in North Portland and 82<sup>nd</sup>, which were Drug Free Zones, will also receive additional assistance in fighting drug activity."

For more information about Central Precinct's Old Town/Chinatown mission, please contact Brian Schmautz at 503-823-0010 or [bschmautz@portlandpolice.org](mailto:bschmautz@portlandpolice.org).

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*The Portland Business Alliance is Greater Portland's Chamber of Commerce representing more than 1,300 businesses in the region. The Alliance focuses on central city and regional issues and recognizes that the vitality of the central city and the region depend on one another, and Portland's vibrant, growing downtown is a regional asset.*