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## **IOWA CITY MAN SENTENCED FOR CONSPIRING TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK AND POSSESSING A FIREARM IN FURTHERANCE OF DRUG TRAFFICKING**

DAVENPORT, IA – On September 29, 2011, Antonio Murray of Iowa City, Iowa, age 22, was sentenced to 90 months imprisonment, for conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. United States District Judge John A. Jarvey also ordered Murray to serve five years of supervised release following his imprisonment and to pay \$200 to the Crime Victims Fund. On March 10, 2011, Murray entered a guilty plea in federal court to conspiring to distribute at least 280 grams of crack cocaine from July 2010, through November 4, 2010, and to possessing a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking.

In the summer of 2010, law enforcement commenced an investigation into a significant drug trafficking organization in Iowa City responsible for distributing large amounts of crack in the southeast part of town. Law enforcement identified Murray as a distributor of crack and, using the assistance of a confidential informant, made several purchases of crack over the course of several months. During the course of the investigation, Murray personally distributed over 60 grams of crack cocaine.

This case was investigated by the Johnson County Multi-Agency Drug Task Force, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Iowa City Police Department, and was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.