

# Cheektowaga man sent to jail for a year on drug convictions

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*Chronicle file photo of Cheektowaga Police.*

Cheektowaga Police said that on Thursday, Michael R. Richardson, 28, of East Grand Blvd, was sentenced to one year in jail by Town Judge Paul Piotrowski.

Richardson's house had been a source of many complaints from neighbors. The house was also the scene of several overdoses in the past, according to CPD.

Richardson was first arrested last March after police executed a search warrant on his residence and found numerous types of drugs and drug paraphernalia.

At that point, he was charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance, Criminal Use of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of a Hypodermic Instrument, and Unlawful Possession of Marijuana.

CPD arrested Richardson was again in June after he was found passed out inside a neighbor's car. Police discovered cocaine in his possession. At that point, he was charged with two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance and Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle.

Judge Piotrowski handed down the sentence in part because of Richardson's criminal record and his failure of probation and drug rehab programs.