

## 1 LESS DRUG PUSHER ON COUNTY STREETS

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A drug ringleader who used cars instead of houses to deal cocaine in Detroit and its suburbs was sentenced Thursday to 30 years in prison.

Contrell Smith, 24, of Redford Township was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Lawrence Zatkoff on a January conviction of running a criminal enterprise along with various drug counts.

The U.S. Attorney's Office said Smith's ring, known as the **Joy Boys**, sold crack and powdered cocaine on the streets of Detroit, Allen Park, Dearborn and Redford from October 2002 through December 2003.

Customers placed orders via cell phone and were sent to various streets to wait for a car.

The gang sold \$30,000 worth of drugs a day, according to court records.

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