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Subject: POP Press Release – Heroin, Meth, & 4 Arrests

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On 3/29/11, at about 2:45 PM, Detectives with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP) were assisting Parole Agents (CDCR) with a gang-related fugitive apprehension operation in the Eureka and Arcata areas. Parole Agents were looking for a parolee-at-large, Joe Olivo, and they'd obtained information Olivo may be staying with a female, Sacheen Alfred, at a motel on the 4000 block of Valley West Boulevard, Arcata.

Detectives and Agents contacted Alfred in her room at the motel. Alfred was on searchable probation for fraud and burglary related offenses. Further investigation revealed Alfred apparently had no connection to Olivo. However, detectives conducted a probation search of her room and located approximately 8.5 grams (1/4 ounce) of tar heroin, a digital gram scale, hypodermic syringes, and a baggy containing multiple ceramic or porcelain spark plug chips (a burglary tool used for smashing auto windows).

Upon further questioning, Alfred admitted to selling heroin. Alfred was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where she was booked for possession of heroin for sale, possession of hypodermic syringes, and probation violation.

On 3/30/11, POP detectives and Parole Agents located Joe Olivo at a residence on the 2700 block of California Street, Eureka. Olivo was taken into custody there for parole violation. A female, Victoria Robinson-Gensaw, was also arrested at the residence for a felony warrant alleging receiving/possessing stolen property.

On 3/31/11, POP Detectives, assisted by Special Agents with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force, executed a search warrant at a residence on the 1000 block of California Street, Eureka. The warrant was in response to on-going neighborhood complaints about suspected drug use and dealing in the residence. *(On 3/09/11, the POP Unit conducted a parole compliance search at the same residence. Detectives located methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, and heroin packaged for sale in the house. Resident Mika Lee Meyers was arrested for possession of heroin for sale. Due to health concerns, resident Rubi Armas was cited and released with a court date for possession of heroin for sale and possession of methamphetamine).*



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When detectives announced their presence and purpose at the front door, subjects could be heard running away inside the residence. Upon breaching the door, detectives and agents entered and detained 5 individuals inside. During a subsequent search of the residence, detectives located unlawfully possessed prescription medications, tar heroin, and drug use paraphernalia including hypodermic syringes.

Resident Rubi Armas, 48 of Eureka, was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility for possession of a controlled substance, possession of hypodermic syringes, and maintaining a place for drug use/sales. Upon her arrival at the jail, detectives also found approximately 16.4 grams (1/2 ounce gross weight) of methamphetamine which Armas had tried to conceal in the transport vehicle. The methamphetamine was packaged for sale in 21 individual baggies and Armas was also booked for possession of methamphetamine for sale.

Sally Fae Ferris, 22, was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility for possession of a hypodermic syringe and for a misdemeanor warrant alleging the same offense. During the intake process, Correctional Officers located two more hypodermic syringes concealed inside of Ferris' body.

The property owners were contacted and eviction proceedings are expected to follow for the California Street residence.

Anyone with information concerning suspected drug sales activity occurring in Eureka is encouraged to call the Problem Oriented Policing Unit at (707) 441-4373 or the Humboldt County Drug Task Force at (707) 444-8095.

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Joe Olivo





Rubi Armas

Sacheen Alfred



Sally Ferris





