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**Subject: Prostitution Sting**

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On July 12, 2017, between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Detectives with the Eureka Police Department's POP team conducted an undercover operation in the vicinity of the 1300 block of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. The operation was in response to multiple citizen complaints regarding the on-going and blatant criminal activity perpetrated by prostitutes.

The details of the operation will remain confidential so as not to compromise future operations. During the time frame indicated, the following subjects were transported and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility.

18 year old Morgan Kayla Vinson from Florida was arrested for prostitution and for providing false information to the police.  
50 year old Elisa Yolanda Carlson from Redding was arrested for prostitution, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.  
65 year old Leanne Duffitt from Eureka was arrested for prostitution, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The Eureka Police Department's POP team will continue to conduct these types of operations in the future. While this particular operation targeted the prostitutes, future operations will also target those soliciting the services of the prostitutes.

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