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OPERATION LAW AND ORDER PART 2

Prosecutor Mark A. McCann has announced the completion of a follow-up investigation to Operation Law and Order which was conducted on May 1, 2018. Operation Law and Order Part 2 began on June 19, 2018, when officers of the Kokomo Police Department Drug Task Force began arresting nearly fifty suspected drug dealers and users on arrest warrants and through serving search warrants.

Captain Shane Melton stated the arrests resulted in the recovery of nearly 1000 grams of methamphetamine, 5000 grams of marijuana, 20 grams of heroin and over 200 syringes. One pound is equal to 448 grams. The police also recovered controlled substances in the form of 300 pills, plus digital scales, paraphernalia and several guns.

Operation Law and Order Part 2 is an ongoing investigation and more arrests are expected. Like the federal investigation, this operation involved primarily methamphetamine dealers. Methamphetamine usage is an on-going problem in the community as many addicts try to avoid the withdrawals from heroin by using methamphetamine.

Numerous persons were arrested on sight charges at the scene where warrants were served. Several of the persons were also charged with being habitual offenders and with neglect of a dependent. The drug usage around young children has resulted in numerous children being placed in foster care as a result of these arrests.

Prosecutor McCann commended the officers of the Drug Task Force for their diligent efforts to round up suspected drug dealers in efforts to reduce the supply of dangerous narcotic drugs in Howard

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The list of persons arrested and their charges are listed as follows:

Richard Mann - Drug Warrant- 2 Counts of Dealing Meth - Level 2 Felonies.

Jamie Nussbaum- Drug Warrant – 1 Count of Dealing Meth - Level 3 Felony.

Michel Bradley, Jr. – Drug Warrant – 2 Counts of Dealing Meth - Level 3 Felonies, 1 Count Dealing Meth - Level 4 Felony, 1 Count Dealing Schedule 1,2,3 Controlled Substance - Level 5 Felony, Neglect of a Dependent - Level 5 Felony.

Amanda Parks - Drug Warrant- 1 Count Dealing Meth - Level 4 Felony.

Tyler French - Drug Warrant- 1 Count Dealing Meth - Level 4 Felony.

Matthew Day – Drug Warrant – 2 Counts Dealing Schedule 1,2,3 Controlled Substance - Level 4 and 5 Felonies, Dealing Meth - Level 5 Felony, Dealing Heroin - Level 4 Felony, Neglect of a Dependent - Level 5 Felony.

Ashleigh Cleaver- Drug Warrant- Dealing Meth - Level 3 Felony and Conspiracy to Deal Meth - Level 2 Felony.

Ron Frakes – Drug Warrant- 3 Counts Dealing Meth, Sight Charge - 1 Count Possession of Meth - Level 6 Felony.

David Bowers – Drug Warrant – 1 Count Conspiracy to Deal Meth - Level 2 Felony, Dealing Meth - Level 4 Felony, Sight Charge - Dealing Meth - Level 3 Felony, Dealing Marijuana, Possession of Meth - Level 5 Felonies, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Syringe - Level 6 Felonies and recovered one handgun.

Kathy Hunter - Sight Charge - Possession of Meth - Level 6 Felony and Possession of Marijuana.

Dallas Milton - Neglect Warrants - Possession of 1,2,3 Controlled Substance.

Bradley Bates - Drug Warrants and sight charge Possession of Meth - Level 6 Felony.

Virgil Pyle – Sight Charge - Possession of Narcotic Drug - Level 6 Felony.

David Lawson - Sight Charge - Possession of Syringe - Level 6 Felony.

Kaleb Nutter – Drug Warrant – 1 Count Dealing Meth - Level 3 Felony, 1 Count Dealing Meth - Level 4 Felony, Sight Charge - Possession of Meth - Level 5 Felony and recovered a handgun.

Eugene Lee – Drug Warrant – 5 Counts of Dealing Heroin, Dealing Cocaine, Dealing Marijuana, Dealing Schedule 1,2,3 Controlled Substance, recovered scales during warrant arrest.

Chasity Soos – Drug Warrant- 1 Count Dealing Meth - Level 4 Felony, 1 Count Dealing Legend Drug - Level 6 Felony. Sight Charges - Possession of Meth - Level 3 Felony.

Andrea Creitz - Drug Warrant - 2 Counts Dealing Meth - Level 2 Felonies.

Logan Barnett - Drug Warrant - Sight Charge for Possession of Meth - Level 5 Felony.

Brian Shackelford - Sight Charge - Possession of Meth - Level 3 Felony and recovered handgun.

Thomas Ohmer, Jr. – Drug Warrant – 1 Count Dealing 1,2,3 Controlled Substance.

Jeremy King – Drug Warrant - Dealing Meth Level 5, Sight Charge - Possession of Meth – Level 6 Felony.

Danny Walker – FTA Warrant- Sight Charge of Possession of Meth – Level 6, Neglect of a Dependent – Level 6 Felony.

Julie Walker- Sight Charges- Violation of Legend Drug Act and Possession of Paraphernalia.

Tiffany Reed- PTR Warrant- Sight Charges - Possession of Meth – Level 5 Felony, False Informing, and Possession of Syringe – Level 6 Felonies.

Jamie Reed - PTR Warrant.

Nate Riley- Sight Charges- Dealing Marijuana – Level 6 Felonies, Neglect of a Dependent – Level 6 Felony and recovered AK-47 and Handguns.

Sharika Gordon – Sight Charges - Dealing Marijuana – Level 6 Felony and Neglect of a Dependent – Level 6 Felony.

Andrew Waits- Drug Warrant – 2 Counts Dealing Meth – Level 4 Felonies, Sight Charge - Possession of Meth – Level 6 Felony.

Ricardo Espinoza – Drug Warrant – 2 Counts Dealing Meth – Level 4 Felonies, Sight Charge - Possession of Meth – Level 5 Felony.

Allison Langley - Sight Charge - Possession of Meth - Level 5 Felony.

Ryan Colburn- Warrant for Battery Resulting in Injury

Elizabeth Allen – Drug Warrant – Dealing Heroin – Level 4 Felony - Sight Charges - Possession of Heroin Level 6 Felony and Possession of Syringe – Level 6 Felony.

Kyle Allen- Sight Charge- Possession of Syringe - Level 6 Felony.

Shawnee Carter – Revoke Warrant – Sight Charges - Possession of Heroin – Level 6 Felony and Possession of Syringe – Level 6 Felony.

Chris Minniear – Sight Charges – Possession of Heroin – Level 6 Felony and Possession of Syringe – Level 6 Felony.

Paula Mashburn – Drug Warrant – Conspiracy to Deal Meth – Level 2 Felony and Dealing Controlled Substance – Level 4 Felony.

Ron Arnwine - Drug Warrant - Possession of Heroin - Level 6 Felony.

April Arnwine- Drug Warrant.

Tomaj Stitts- Dealing Narcotic Drug and Possession of Meth.

Cassandra Stout- Possession of Controlled Substance.

Thomas Wagner- Possession of Meth and Possession of Cocaine.

Tabitha Smith - Possession of Legend Drug and Possession of Paraphernalia.

Stephanie Fewell – Possession of Meth.

Carl Brown, Jr. – Dealing in Cocaine.

Operation Law and Order Part 2 is an ongoing investigation with more arrests to come.

The Howard County Prosecutor's Office emphasized that the filing of the Informations are merely allegations and that all persons charged are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in court.

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