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Narcotics Search Warrants Served in Vallejo

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Solano County Sheriff's Office

After a two-month investigation conducted by the Solano County Sheriff's Cal-MMET (California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team) and Sol-NET (Solano County Narcotics Enforcement Team), two search warrants were served at two residences with the assistance of the Vallejo Police Department's Special Operations Group. One search warrant was served on the 200 block of 13th Street in the City of Vallejo; the second on the 1100 block of Lewis Avenue in the unincorporated area of Vallejo. These search warrants were served yesterday, November 19th, at approximately 2:00pm.

Investigators who served the search warrant on 13th Street seized three handguns, one of which was reported stolen out of Nevada. They also seized \$10,349 cash, which is believed to be the proceeds from illicit drug activity.

Investigators who served the search warrant on Lewis Avenue arrested 25-year-old Francisco Gonzalez and 34-year-old Gerardo Ramirez. They also seized 33.2 grams of methamphetamine, 97 grams of marijuana, 8.2 grams of cocaine, digital scales, and packaging material.

The Sheriff's Office investigative effort also identified 32-year-old Roberto Gonzalez of Vallejo as a suspect in the narcotics investigation. Vallejo police officers located Gonzalez driving a vehicle near the intersection of Georgia Street and Monterey Street. When the officers initiated a traffic stop on his vehicle, Gonzalez attempted to flee the scene, colliding with another motorist in the intersection. Inside the vehicle driven by Gonzalez, there were 653.5 grams (1 pound 7 ounces) of methamphetamine that was packaged for sales, 21.9 grams of cocaine, 113 Vicodin pills for sale, 33 Morphine pills for sale, 12 Oxycodone tablets packaged for sale, digital scales, packaging material, and a loaded .45 semi-automatic handgun. The total street value combined of all the drugs is estimated at \$31,475.

All three subjects were booked at the Solano County Jail for possession of methamphetamine for sale, transportation of methamphetamine, possession of narcotics for sale, possession of a firearm while in possession of narcotics, possession of a firearm while committing a felony, conspiracy, and possession and use of a false compartment to conceal a controlled substance. Bail was set at \$250,000 and all three must bail in open court.

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