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Three Suspects Charged with Possession of Weapons and Drugs

On Saturday (08/24/19) at approximately 5 PM, Orland Park Investigators received information that a suspected heroin dealer was in the Chicago land area from Arizona. A drug investigation was started which led to an arranged meeting in the 7100 Block of 159th Street.

Orland Park Investigators located the suspected heroin dealer inside a pickup truck which was towing another vehicle. The investigators approached the vehicle and observed the driver, Hector Acosta-Feliz, with a bag of suspected crystal methamphetamine in his hand. Feliz was placed in custody. The backseat passenger, Johnnie Lee, exited the vehicle and a firearm (Taurus PT740 .40 caliber - loaded with 7 rounds) was visible on the floorboard where he was sitting. Lee was taken into custody. The front seat passenger, Taurence Lopez, exited the vehicle and a firearm (Taurus PT111 9 mm - loaded with 12 rounds) was also visible on the floorboard. Lopez was taken into custody.

All three individuals had a small amount of suspected black tar heroin on their person. A search of the vehicle was conducted which resulted in a third weapon (Glock 27 .40 Caliber - loaded with 10 rounds) that was discovered under the driver's seat, along with a large plastic bag of suspected crystal methamphetamine, and a plastic wrapped package of suspect heroin. In addition to those items a locked safe was discovered. On 08/25/19 the offenders appeared at a bond hearing at the Criminal Courts Building (2650 S. California Ave) where Judge John Lyke issued the following bond amount listed under each arrested individual with a return date of 08/27/19 in Bridgeview Courthouse.

Recovered at Arrest:

Taurus PT111 .9 mm
Taurus PT740 .40 Cal
Glock 27 .40 Cal
427.5 Grams of suspected Methamphetamine
470.6 Grams of suspected Heroin
Locked Safe

Arrested

Hector Acosta-Feliz (Male / 28 YOA)

2006 E. 35th St.

Tucson, AZ

Charge

Possession of a Weapon by a Felon (Class 3)

Possession of a Controlled Substance with intent to deliver (Class X)

Possession of Methamphetamine with intent to deliver (Class X)

Possession of a Controlled Substance (Class X)

Possession of Methamphetamine (Class X)

Bond Amount \$15,000/10% (\$1,500 Needed)

Johnnie Lee (Male / 26 YOA)

2121 N. Avenida El Capitan

Tucson, AZ

Charge

Possession of a Weapon by a Felon (Class 3)

Possession of a Controlled Substance (Class X)

Possession of Methamphetamine (Class X)

Bond Amount \$3,000/10% \$300 Needed)

Taurence Lopez (Male / 45 YOA)

3985 N. Stone Ave, Apt 170

Tucson, AZ

Charge

Possession of a Weapon by a Felon (Class 3)

Possession of a Controlled Substance (Class X)

Possession of Methamphetamine (Class X)

Bond Amount \$25,000/10% (\$2,500 Needed)

On 08/27/19 Orland Park Investigators obtained a search warrant for the safe that was located in the vehicle. The safe was opened and the following items were discovered.

2302.5 Grams of suspected Heroin

142.5 Grams of suspected narcotic pills

The offenders had not yet been released from custody and subsequently appeared at the Bridgeview Courthouse for additional drug charges relating to the drugs found in the safe. At that time Judge Mahoney ordered no bond for the defendants and continued the case to 09/20/19.

Combined Total Recovered:

2,777.1 Grams of suspected Heroin

427.5 Grams of suspected Methamphetamine

142.4 Grams of suspected narcotics pills

The seizure of almost three kilos of heroin is the largest seizure of this drug in the history of the Orland Park Police Department.

Contact: Sergeant Wayne Lee (708-364-8116)

(All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law)