



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Loveland Police Seize Fentanyl Pills

On August 31, 2023, members of the Loveland Police Department Community Impact Unit served a search warrant in the 1400 block of East 16th Street with the assistance of Loveland Police SWAT, the Northern Colorado Drug Task Force, and Colorado State Parole Officers. The search warrant was based on an ongoing investigation into the occupants associated with the home. A total of 10 individuals were contacted. Four arrests were made for drug related charges and unrelated active arrest warrants. Approximately 520 fentanyl pills, 11 grams of methamphetamine and large amounts of drug paraphernalia were seized. These individuals were transported to the Larmer County Jail and booked on the following charges:

Justin Allan Anderson-Wertz, age 23, CRS: 18-18-405(2)(b)(I)(D) UNLAWFUL DIS/MAN/DISP/SALE/PWID CONTAINS FENTANYL > 4 GRAMS-50 GRAMS (Drug Felony, Class 2); CRS: 18-18-428 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNAILA (Drug Petty Offense); CRS: 16-3-102 3 Counts of active arrest warrants from other agencies, two felony and one misdemeanor.

Ricky Holmes, age 62, CRS: 18-18-403.5(2.5)(a)(I) UNLAWFUL POSSESS CONTAINS FENTANYL > 1 Gram – 4 GRAMS (Drug Felony, Class 4).

Nicholas Oviedo, age 24, Arrested by Parole Officers on an outstanding warrant for a parole violation.

Yelena Rose Connole, age 42, CRS: 16-3-102 Warrant arrest for a misdemeanor traffic offense.

Police Chief Tim Doran expresses his appreciation for all officers and support staff involved in the investigation and wishes to thank the other agencies for their assistance and support.

The charges are merely an accusation, and the defendants are presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty.

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The information contained in this news release is based on preliminary information available at the time of drafting. The Loveland Police Department's understanding of this incident may change as additional evidence is collected, analyzed, and reviewed. The purpose of this news release is to provide timely information to the public.