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Date: 10/25/2024 Time: 11:00 AM

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Subject: VNU Drug Investigation (1700 Block of Lombard Ave and 1000 Block of Mt

Vernon St.)

OSHKOSH, WI (October 24, 2024): The Oshkosh Police Department's Vice and Narcotics Unit completed a drug investigation at residences located in the 1700 Block of Lombard Ave and 1000 Block of Mt. Vernon St in the City of Oshkosh.

Based upon drug complaints from the members of the Oshkosh community and a subsequent drug investigation, Investigators from OPD's Vice and Narcotics Unit established grounds for a search warrant that was issued for a residence in the 1700 Block of Lombard Avenue. On 10/24/2024, at 6:14 AM, OPD's Vice and Narcotics Unit along with Detectives and members of the Oshkosh Police Department's SWAT Team executed the search warrant at this residence. They located approximately 30 grams of Cocaine, 50 grams of Marijuana, drug paraphernalia and over \$3,000 in US Currency.

Later in the day, Investigators from Oshkosh Police Department's Vice and Narcotics Unit executed an additional search warrant in the 1000 Block of Mt. Vernon St. During the search of the residence investigators recovered over \$330,000 in US Currency, approximately 7.5 pounds of raw Marijuana/THC, over 1,000 THC cartridges and approximately one kilogram (1 Kilo) of Cocaine. Investigators also seized three vehicles which are believed to be purchased with proceeds from the sale and distribution of illegal drugs. At this time, investigators are looking into several bank accounts which are thought to contain several hundred thousand dollars believed to be related to the sale and distribution of illegal drugs.

One 51-year-old male from Oshkosh was arrested for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Maintaining a Drug Dwelling, Possession with Intent to Deliver Cocaine over 40 grams, Possession with Intent to Deliver Tetrahydrocannabinols (Marijuana) 2500 grams to 10,000 grams.

The case is being referred to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Wisconsin for prosecution in the Federal Court system.

Chief Smith stated, "I am proud of the hard work the Investigators of our Vice and Narcotic's Unit did during this investigation. If you are dealing drugs in our community we will find you, we will arrest you."

The Oshkosh Police Department continues to work diligently to investigate crimes of this nature. The presence of illegal drugs and drug dealers poses a threat to the health, safety, and well-being of our residents, drug overdoses are a threat to all of us. We will not tolerate the distribution, sale, or possession of illegal narcotics within our city. We will continue to work tirelessly, utilizing all available resources to identify and apprehend those individuals who engage in these destructive behaviors. We would like to extend our gratitude to our community members who reported this drug information. Their vigilance and proactive communication played a crucial role in this investigation, thus helping us maintain the safety and well-being of our community. We stand united with our community in the fight against drugs, ensuring Oshkosh remains a safe place for all.

The Oshkosh Police Department's Vice and Narcotics Unit - Criminal Investigation Division is currently investigating this incident. The Lake Winnebago Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group (LWAM) is assisting with furthering this drug investigation.

If anyone has any information regarding this incident, they are encouraged to contact the Oshkosh Police Department at 920-236-5734.

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