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On May 16, 2019, at approximately 6:17 am the Sumter County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Squad, along with members of the Sumter County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division, and Sumter County Sheriff's Office SWAT team executed a narcotics search warrant at the residence of 9357 SW 17th Way located in Webster, Sumter County, Florida. The search warrant was a result of ongoing narcotic related issues stemming from the residence culminating in a 2-month long investigation of the property and the occupants. The results of the search warrant resulted in the arrest of 14 individuals who were located at the residence and property at the time of the execution of the search warrant.

During the execution of the search warrant, a child who was under 1 year old was located at the residence as well. During the search of the residence, dog feces was spread all through the home, along with roaches all over the home, the home was in complete disarray, and narcotics and hypodermic syringes that tested positive for methamphetamine and heroin were found throughout the residence. Due to the conditions of the residence and the drug paraphernalia throughout the home, the Department of Children and Families were immediately notified. The mother, Robin Nipper and father Richard Measels were both arrested on scene for narcotic related offenses and child neglect.

The following individuals were arrested:

Katherine M Comis

Trafficking Methamphetamine

Possession of a Vehicle which was being used to Traffic in a Controlled Substance

Possession of Paraphernalia



CRIMELINE
800.423.TIPS
800.423.8477

Total bond \$31,000.00

Yoel Cruz Gonzales

Trafficking Methamphetamine

Possession of a Vehicle which was being used to Traffic in a Controlled Substance

2 Counts of Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$32,000.00

Ryan S Fuentes

Trafficking Methamphetamine

Possession of a Vehicle which was being used to Traffic in a Controlled Substance

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$31,000.00

Richard A Measels

Possession of ammunition by a convicted felon

Possession of Methamphetamine

Child Neglect

Possession of Paraphernalia

Possession of New Legend Drug

Total bond \$16,000.00

Kevin L Kotwica

Possession of Ammunition by a Convicted Felon

Possession of Methamphetamine

Possession of Psilocybin

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$15,000.00

David D Blount

Possession of Ammunition by a Convicted Felon

Possession of Heroin

Possession of Marijuana

2 counts Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$ 15,000.00

Richard Rutterbush

Possession of Methamphetamine

Possession of a Controlled Substance

Possession of Paraphernalia

Keeping or Maintaining a drug shop (residence)

Total bond \$6,000.00

Tammie D Messick

Possession of Methamphetamine

Possession of a Controlled Substance

Possession of Paraphernalia

Keeping or Maintaining a drug shop (residence)

Total bond \$6,000.00

Robin D Nipper

Possession of Heroin

Child Neglect

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$5,000.00

Robert Terry

Possession of Methamphetamine

Possession of Psilocybin

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$5,000.00

Tosha Kotwica Burdick

Possession of Methamphetamine

Possession of Psilocybin

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$5,000.00

Melissa A (Lovett) Woodard

Possession of Methamphetamine

Introduction of Contraband into a Correction Facility

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$ 5,000.00

Christopher M Shirer

2 Counts of Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$2,000.00

Peggy Jo Shirer

Possession of Paraphernalia

Total bond \$1,000.00

The total weight of methamphetamine recovered was approximately 16 grams, numerous items of drug paraphernalia including hypodermic syringes, glass smoking pipes, scales, and packaging materials, numerous rounds of miscellaneous types of ammunition and approximately 2 grams of heroin was seized as evidence.

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