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Several Charged in Illegal Drug Possession in Sweep at Correctional Facility

(TOWN OF DICKINSON) A sweep of multiple housing pods will lead to three arrests and multiple drug and contraband charges at the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility this week.

Investigators from the Broome County Sheriff's Office partnered with several law enforcement agencies from throughout Broome County to conduct a surprise narcotics sweep at the facility. K9 Units from the Vestal, Binghamton and Johnson City Police Departments along with the Broome County Sheriff's Office searched two housing pods for narcotics and identified several incarcerated individuals hiding various narcotics and contraband on their person and in their cells.

Among the evidence recovered was:

- 7.6g of crack cocaine (street value of \$700, but more in an incarcerated environment)
- 11.9g of synthetic cannabinoid K2
- Various full and partial suboxone strips

With the investigation nearly complete, the following charges will be issued:

Dreyshawn McDonald, age 36 of Binghamton

- Criminal Possession Controlled Substance in the 4th Degree, a Class C Felony
- Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree, a Class D Felony

McDonald is currently incarcerated on a charge of Strangulation in the 2nd Degree, a Class D Felony.

Ryan Carney, age 41 of Endicott

- Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree, a Class D Felony
- Promoting Prison Contraband in the 2nd Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor

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Carney is currently incarcerated due to a parole violation related to additional felony narcotic charges.

Paul Reed, age 35 of Endicott NY

- Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree, a Class D Felony

Reed is currently incarcerated on felony drug and weapons charges.

This sweep was the latest in a series of investigations into narcotics, drug and contraband smuggling at the Correctional Facility, which have led to 9 arrests and dozens of charges since the beginning of the year.

In light of these arrests, Sheriff Akshar announced plans to take additional action to better monitor and prevent contraband and narcotics from being brought into the facility. The Sheriff plans to expand the number of investigators at the Broome County Correctional Facility and add a full-time K9 unit to the Corrections Investigation Unit. The K9 unit would be trained in detecting narcotics, conduct regular searches in the facility and be present at visitation to identify potential smuggling efforts from outside visitors or staff.

“The results of this week’s investigation once again highlights the hard work, vigilance and commitment put forth by our investigations unit and the men and women of the Broome County Sheriff’s Correctional Facility,” said Sheriff Fred Akshar. “In light of the all the good work they’re doing, it’s clear we need a more refined and strengthened focus on rooting out the sources of these drugs and preventing contraband from entering the facility by any means. At the end of the day, the Broome County Sheriff’s Office is charged with the safety and security of the incarcerated individuals as well as the officers and staff charged with their care. Illegal drugs, narcotics and contraband put the health, safety and security of all those involved at risk. We will continue exploring every resource available to prevent any effort to compromise the health safety and security of our facility and those in our care.”

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