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Investigation Results in Multiple Charges for Drug Smuggling at Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility

(TOWN OF DICKSINON, NY) An anonymous tip from the community led to multiple drug smuggling charges at the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility this week.

Investigators from the Corrections Investigation Unit (CIU) of the Broome County Sheriff's Office received information from anonymous community member that an incarcerated individual, Luis Bigio, age 37 of Endicott, was allegedly smuggling contraband into the Correctional Facility.

Investigators initiated Contraband Protocol, and during a search of Bigio's cell, officers and investigators recovered one plastic-wrapped package and one pink balloon containing the following narcotics:

- 50 suboxone strips of 1 dosage
- 86 suboxone strips of 3 different dosages

As a result of the investigation, Luis Bigio was arrested and charged with:

• Two Counts of Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree, Class D Felonies

At the time of this arrest, Bigio was serving a Broome County Court sentence related to disobeying a court mandate.

Bigio was processed at the Broome County Correctional Facility and will answer for his charges at the Town of Dickinson Court on a future date.

Sheriff Fred Akshar said, "Thank you to our community members for staying engaged and helping stop another attempt to circulate narcotics within the Correctional Facility. I commend our Corrections Investigation Unit for their swift response in shutting down another drug smuggling attempt. It will take continued collaboration and cooperation between our law enforcement officers and our community to help make our Correctional Facility a safer place for all those who live and work in it."

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