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Investigation Results in Multiple Charges for Smuggling Meth at the Broome County Correctional Facility

(TOWN OF DICKINSON) A contraband investigation 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 on potential contraband in one of the housing units of the Correctional Facility.

On August 9, 2023, Corrections Investigators, including the Correctional Facility K-9 unit initiated a search of several cells within the housing unit. One of the cells searched was that of Jamell Jones, age 36, who had only recently entered the Correctional Facility a week prior on a parole hold related to an alleged parole violation.

During the search, Jones became uncooperative, then actively violent and combative with investigators in an attempt to conceal multiple items in his mouth and on his person.

Despite Jones' efforts to conceal and discard them, two packages of contraband were recovered by investigators. Jones was then placed in a Medical Housing Unit under Contraband Protocol to monitor his health and prevent a possible overdose from the items that were smuggled on his person.

Both recovered items field tested positive for methamphetamine and Jones was charged with the following:

- Two Counts of Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree, Class D Felonies
- Two Counts of Tampering with Physical Evidence, Class E Felonies
- Obstructing Governmental Administration in the 2nd Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor

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