ELSMERE POLICE DEPARTMENT Monthly Report August 2019

Significant Events:

On the following dates/times Elsmere Bureau of Police officers handled the below incidents and seized the following drugs, money and/or weapons.

July 2019 Highlight's: EPD's TWITTER & INSTAGRAM ACCOUNTS

This month the Elsmere Police Department has added Twitter and Instagram accounts in an effort to better connect with the community we serve.

July 1, 2019:

WOMAN DEALING DEADLY FENTANYL ARRESTED WITH 4-YEAR-OLD CHILD IN VEHICLE

On Monday (07/01/2019) Elsmere officers stopped Arianna Mojica (20-year-old female from the unit block of S. Ogle Ave. Wilmington) while driving a Silver Acura TL at a high rate of speed on Bungalow Avenue at Cypress Ave. During the stop officers determined that Mojica did not have a valid driver's license, was wanted for 2 outstanding capiases, and currently on Probation. While searching the vehicle officers located 2 iced tea cans along with Mojica's 4 year old step-daughter. The drink cans were normal in appearance, size, and weight. However, further examination revealed that the cans had been modified to conceal items.

Inside officers located the following:

23.9 grams of Marijuana in numerous packages

1 bag of Crack/Cocaine weighing ½ gram

54 bags of Fentanyl

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is 80-100 times stronger than morphine and is responsible for numerous overdose deaths in New Castle County.

The 4-year-old child was removed from danger and released to a guardian. The Division of Family Services was contacted and will conduct a follow-up.

Arianna Mojica was charged with: Possession w/Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance (Felony), 2 counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance (Misdemeanor), 2 counts of Tampering w/Physical Evidence (Felony), Endangering the Welfare of a Child (Misdemeanor), Unlawfully Dealing w/a Child/Allowing Child to Remain in a Place Drugs are Stored (Misdemeanor), Driving at an Unreasonable Speed, Driving a Vehicle w/a Tinted License Plate Cover, and Driving w/out a Valid License.

Mojica was ordered to have No Contact with Town of Elsmere and released on \$11,702.00 Unsecured Bond.



July 3, 2019:

ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

Members of the Newport Police Department, Elsmere Police Department, Wilmington Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration executed a search warrant in the 700 Block of West 11th Street in the city of Wilmington pursuant to a drug investigation. The following evidence was seized as a result: 740 grams of marijuana, 93.3 grams of cocaine, 74 grams of suspected heroin/ Fentanyl, 167 grams of psychedelic mushrooms, marijuana edibles, 45 caliber handgun, Beretta handgun, numerous rounds of ammunition, packaging materials and \$397.00 U.S.C.

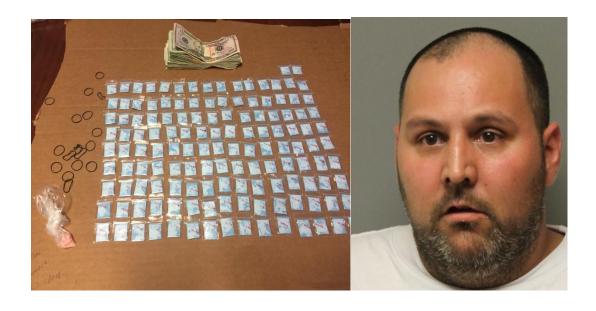
July 10, 2019:

DRUG DEALER ARRESTED FOR SELLING FENTANYL WHILE OUT ON BAIL

On Wednesday, July 10, 2019, Elsmere Officers stopped Robert Walker, (35-year-old male from the 2000 block of W. Newport Pike), after they observed him engaged in suspicious activity while operating a white 2019 Chrysler 300. During the stop, Cpl. Giles observed Walker attempting to conceal items inside of the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed that Walker attempted to hide a single bag containing 2.1 grams of crack/cocaine and a sock containing 137 bags of heroin/fentanyl mix. Additionally, officers located \$657.00 of suspected drug money and paraphernalia inside of the vehicle.

During the investigation, it was ascertained that Walker had been arrested by the Delaware State Police just four days prior on 07/06/2019, for possessing 154 bags of heroin and 5 grams of crack/cocaine, and had been released after posting \$22,250.00 SECURED bail.

Robert Walker was charged with Possession w/Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (2 counts), Tampering w/Physical Evidence (2 counts), and a traffic violation. He was committed to Howard Young Correctional in lieu of \$22,000.00 SECURED bail. Additionally, Elsmere Police requested that bail from Walker's previous charges be revoked.



July 11, 2019:

PTLM. LINDE GRADUATED FROM NEW CASTLE COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY



Sgt. Smith, Lt. Shelton, Chief Giles, Ptlm. Linde, Cpl. Giles & Deacon DeGhetto

COLD CASE - HOMICIDE

ELSMERE BUREAU OF POLICE COLD CASE INVESTIGATION

VICTIM: Kenwania Brooks (29 years old)

MURDERED ON: February 11, 2007

LOCATION: 215 New Road Elsmere, DE 19805 (Elsmere Skating Rink)

CASE NUMBER: 35-07-0586



INVESTIGATIVE DETAILS: On Sunday, February 11, 2007 at 0335 hours, officers working an event at the Elsmere Skating Center located at 215 New Road reported hearing shots fired while they were inside the establishment. Upon exiting the rink, one victim was found on the ground having sustained a gunshot wound to his leg. Officers were advised that another victim, Kenwania Brooks, had been transported to Wilmington Hospital in a vehicle, suffering from a gunshot wound to his upper body. Mr. Brooks succumbed to his injuries 11 days later. The suspect vehicle was described as a black in color 4 door Dodge Charger.

If anyone has any information regarding this investigation, you are asked to contact Detective Sowden via email at scot.sowden@cj.state.de.us or via phone at 302-998-1173 ext. 208. Tipsters may also call Crime Stoppers at (800) TIP-3333, or visit their website www.Delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.