



EVERETT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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3 ARRESTED ON WEAPONS & DRUG CHARGES.

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EVERETT, MA. – Everett Chief of Police Steven A. Mazzie announced the arrest of three men on weapons and drug charges. On Tuesday May 16 at 10:55 p.m. Everett Patrol Officers Santiago Flores and Nicholas Cristiano witnessed a suspicious transaction and stopped the vehicle.

Assisted by Patrol Officer John Fitzpatrick, the officers removed the driver from the vehicle. While frisking the one of the occupants, the officers removed a rocklike substance believed to be cocaine. The officers also observed a plastic bag in the vehicle containing a brown powder substance believed to be heroin. Both front seat occupants were taken into custody without incident.

The rear seat passenger was frisked and he was found to be in possession of a spring loaded switchblade. This passenger, a juvenile was also arrested. The officers searched the rear seat area and discovered a loaded Sig Sauer .40 caliber handgun. A further search of the vehicle and occupants yielded 5 cell phones and almost \$800 in small currency.

Mayor DeMaria stated, “This is another example of our officers putting their lives on the line everyday to protect us. Fortunately, our officers were able to safely remove weapons from the suspects with no injuries to themselves, the suspects, or the public. I want to thank the members of the Everett Police Department for their professionalism in this dangerous situation”

Chief Steven Mazzie said: “It's great to see some of our new officers making positive contributions and making the city safer. In this case it's always nice to see a firearm removed from the streets from those that are involved in illegal activity.”

Edson Rodriguez, age 19 of Everett and Carlos Vasquez, age 18 of Chelsea were charged with Possession With Intent to Distribute Class A Heroin and Possession With Intent to Distribute Class B Cocaine. They were arraigned in Malden District Court.

The juvenile, (name withheld) age 17 of Chelsea was charged with Carrying Firearm Without a License, Carrying a Knife, Possession With Intent to Distribute Class A Heroin and Possession With Intent to Distribute Class B Cocaine. He was arraigned in Cambridge Juvenile Court.

All suspects arrested by the Everett Police Department are presumed to be innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.