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Huntington Beach Police Department Arrests Two Suspects and Seize Approximately \$3,500,000 Worth of Drugs in Large Drug Trafficking Organization Bust

The Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) has been conducting an ongoing investigation into a large drug trafficking organization (DTO) based out of Mexico which has led to the arrest of two suspects and seizure of drugs totaling approximately \$3,500,000.

This complex and fluid investigation has been taking place over the last thirty days. Detectives learned about drug pick-ups happening throughout Southern California, including Orange County, San Bernardino County and Riverside County. It was also determined that the DTO was shipping large amounts of drugs across state lines and into the state of New York.

HBPD detectives worked tirelessly, surveilling multiple identified locations and adapting to rapidly evolving situations, culminating in the arrest of two suspects. The first suspect was arrested in Compton and found to be in possession of two kilos of cocaine and is being charged for possession with intent to sell. The second suspect was stopped in San Bernardino County with the assistance of the California Highway Patrol and found to be in possession of 138 kilos of cocaine and heroin, 12 pounds of methamphetamine and over 1,000 fentanyl pills. The second suspect is being charged for transportation and possession with intent to sell.

The seizure in total has an estimated wholesale value of \$3,500,000.

Due to the nature of this ongoing investigation, suspect names and additional details will not be released at this time.

***Photo attached on page two.**

