



**Porterville Police Department
Press Release**

Incident: Narcotic Search Warrant

Date/Time: April 24, 2008 @ 8:30 AM

Location: 1100 block of West Putnam Avenue, Porterville

Suspect(s): Eduardo Martinez, 30 years, Porterville Resident
Celeny Nunez, 22 years, Porterville Resident

Summary:

On April 24, 2008 at approximately 8:30 AM, Porterville Police officers responded to the 1100 block of West Putnam Avenue for a follow-up investigation. Officer arrived and arrested Eduardo Martinez on an unrelated case. Patrol officers contacted detectives after having suspicions of narcotics being sold from the residence. Detectives obtained and served a search warrant at the location.

During the search of the residence, detectives located approximately twenty three grams of suspected crystal methamphetamine, approximately ten grams of suspected heroin and a loaded .38 caliber handgun. The illegal narcotics had a street value in excess of \$2,000. Detectives also located an undetermined amount of U.S. currency, scales, packaging materials, cutting agents and other evidence indicating a conspiracy to sell, transport and distribute crystal methamphetamine and heroin.

Eduardo Beltran Martinez and Celeny Nunez were arrested and booked for possession for sales of crystal methamphetamine, possession for sales of heroin, possession of a loaded firearm during the commission of a felony, maintaining a residence where illegal narcotics are being sold, felons in possession of a firearm and conspiracy to distribute heroin and crystal methamphetamine.

Both suspects were booked at the Tulare County Sheriff's Department and are being held in lieu of a 100,000 bail.

The case is still under investigation.

Investigating Detective(s)
Detective R. Moore

Detective Supervisor
Sergeant J. Castellow