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Chicago Police Announce Results of “Operation Split Corners”

Multiple offenders charged with Criminal Drug Conspiracy as part of investigation into illegal narcotic sales

CHICAGO — The Chicago Police Department (CPD) today announced the results of Operation Split Corners, a monthslong investigation targeting narcotics and gang activity in relation to Four Corner Hustlers gang activity.

“Our narcotics officers have been diligently working for months to identify and apprehend those who are driving crime and violence in our neighborhoods,” said Superintendent David O. Brown. “This operation is just one example of our collaborative efforts with our prosecutorial partners aimed at improving public safety in this city.”

Operation Split Corners was initiated by CPD’s Narcotics Division in coordination with the 15th (Austin) District and 25th (Grand Central) District, where narcotics trafficking has been prevalent in areas of the city’s West Side. The mission of the operation is to combat crime and address quality of life issues driven by illegal narcotic sales and gang activity in and around the 5600 block of West Division Street.

A total of seven individuals were identified, arrested and charged with multiple narcotics offenses, including felony Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy. Four other individuals were also arrested on various charges that include delivery of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance (see below for full list of charges).

During the operation, narcotics officers recovered 64 grams of heroin, 30 grams of crack cocaine, 90 grams of cannabis and a small amount of MDMA.

As part of the investigation, officers also identified the Jordan Food Mart in the 5600 block of West Division Street as a retail establishment that was being used for narcotic transactions. The business was issued multiple Administrative Notice of Violations (ANOVs) following an investigation by CPD’s Vice Section and the City’s Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection. The business was subsequently closed down by the City’s Department of Buildings due to dangerous and hazardous building code violations.

During the course of the investigation, narcotics officers working in the area of the operation apprehended three additional offenders on weapon offenses. In one incident, officers observed an

individual carrying a handgun. Believing a robbery was in progress, officers took enforcement action and placed the offender under arrest. A weapon was recovered in this incident and the offender, a convicted felon, was charged with felony armed habitual criminal (see charges below for Lavell Davis, 32).

In a second incident, narcotics officers witnessed two armed offenders exit a vehicle and fire shots. The officers followed the two offenders who attempted to flee and placed them into custody. Both individuals were charged with aggravated discharge of a firearm and unlawful use of a weapon (see charges below for Nakia Hughes, 22 and Jalier Young, 19).

Narcotics officers are continuing to identify additional offenders in relation to this operation.

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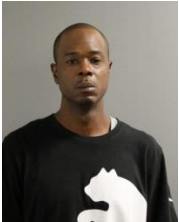
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Offenders Charged in Operation Split Corners



Offender #1: Michael Callaway, 43
5800 block of W. Erie, Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count - Pcs - Mfg/Del 1<15 Gr Heroin/Analog
One (1) felony count - Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy
**Central Bond Court – 2600 S. California - September 24, 2020*



Offender #2: Lavell Davis, 32
1200 block of N. Mason Ave., Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count - Armed Habitual Criminal
**Central Bond Court – 2600 S. California – August 29, 2020*



Offender #3: Melvin Dixon, 32
1300 block of N. Waller Ave., Chicago, Illinois

Ten (10) felony counts - Other Amt Narcotic Sched I&II
One (1) felony count - Pcs - Possession - Poss Amt Con Sub Except (A)(D)
One (1) felony count - Cannabis - Mfg/Del - 30-500 Grms
One (1) felony count - Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy



Offender #4: Calvin Gipson, 53
5800 block of W. Division St., Chicago, Illinois

Two (2) felony counts - Possession - Poss Amt Con Sub Except (A)(D)
One (1) felony count - Other Amt Narcotic Sched I&II



Offender #5: Nakia Huges, 22

5400 block of W. Kamerling Ave., Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count - Uuw - Weapon - Possess/Carry /Conceal Weapon

One (1) felony count – Agg Discharge Firearm - Veh/Sch

**Central Bond Court – 2600 S. California – September 4, 2020*



Offender #6: Darryl Jones, 57

1400 block of N. Massasoit Ave., Chicago, Illinois

Ten (10) felony counts - Other Amt Narcotic Sched I&II

One (1) felony count - Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy



Offender #7: Parish Perkins, 44

5200 block of W. Crystal, Chicago, Illinois

Four (4) felony counts – Other AMT Narcotic Sched I&II

One (1) felony count – Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy



Offender #8: Angelina Ramos, 55

5800 block of W. Division, Chicago, Illinois

Seven (7) felony counts – Other AMT Narcotic Sched I&II

One (1) felony count – Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy



Offender #9: Andre Studmire, 59

1200 block of N. Central Ave., Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count - Other Amt Narcotic Sched I&II



Offender #10: Mary Tucker, 60

1000 block of N. Parkside Ave., Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count - Other Amt Narcotic Sched I&II



Offender #11: Phyllis Williams, 61

1000 block of W. Balmoral Ave., Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count – Other AMT Narcotic Sched I&II



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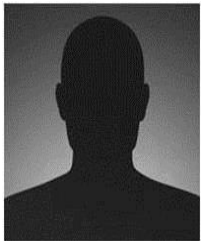
Offender #12: Anthony Winters, 47
1100 block of N. Waller, Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count – Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy
Two (2) felony counts – Other AMT Narcotic Sched I&II
Two (2) felony counts – PCS – Possession – Poss AMT Con Sub Except (A)(D)
Issuance of Warrant



Offender #13: James Woods, 55
800 block of N. Austin, Chicago, Illinois

Two (2) felony counts – Other AMT Narcotic Sched I&II
One (1) felony count – Calculated Criminal Drug Conspiracy



Offender #14: Jalier Young, 19
1400 block of N. Massasoit Ave, Chicago, Illinois

One (1) felony count – Agg Discharge Firearm – Veh/Sch
One (1) misdemeanor count – UUW – Weapon – Carry/Possess Firearm/1st
**Central Bond Court – 2600 S. California – September 4, 2020*

Court: Central Bond Court – 2600 S. California Ave. – September 25, 2020 **unless noted*

Narrative: The above offenders were placed into custody as a result of the monthslong "Operation Split Corners" investigation, which targeted narcotics sales on the city's West Side, as outlined by Superintendent David Brown on September 25, 2020. The offenders were arrested and charged accordingly.

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