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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Subject: EPD Serves Search Warrant on Harris Street Residence – Meth, Heroin, Pills, Found

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On 4/11/12, at about 10:20 AM, investigators with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP) served a drug sales related search warrant at a residence on the 10 block of Harris Street, Eureka. After forcing open the door and entering the residence, investigators encountered and detained 3 adults and one 17-year-old juvenile female.

During a subsequent search of the upstairs residence, detectives located approximately 9 grams (1/3 ounce) of tar heroin, drug sales paraphernalia (a digital gram scale and drug packaging materials), drug use paraphernalia (aluminum foil used to smoke heroin), approximately 3 ounces of processed marijuana, and \$6,933.00 cash (suspected drug sales proceeds). The cash was subsequently turned over to the Humboldt County Drug Task Force for asset forfeiture proceedings.

The 17-year-old female resident admitted to having contraband concealed on her person. Investigators recovered 4.5 grams of crystal methamphetamine and approximately a dozen Suboxone pills for which she did not have a prescription from the juvenile. (Suboxone is a DEA Schedule III narcotic analgesic containing a combination of the opioid medication buprenorphine and naloxone. It is used to treat opiate addiction but can also be abused).

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The 17-year-old female was arrested and transported to Humboldt County Juvenile Hall where she was booked for possession of a controlled substance for sale.

Tyler William Abbott (age 19) was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession of a controlled substance for sale, possession of drug paraphernalia, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and an outstanding warrant. Abbott had been dating the juvenile for over 2 years and they were living together at the residence where they were found. EPD is requesting review by the District Attorney's Office for an additional charge of child endangerment.

Markis Caprice Dewayne Shirley (age 20) was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked on two felony drug-sales related warrants. Correctional officers later found a small quantity of heroin, marijuana, and several Suboxone pills concealed in Shirley's undergarments. An additional felony charge of bringing a controlled substance into a correctional facility is expected to follow.

The fourth subject, an adult female on active parole, was detained and released after she was not found to be in possession of any contraband.

Anyone with information concerning suspected drug activity occurring in the City of Eureka is encouraged to call the Problem Oriented Policing Unit at (707) 441-4373 or the Humboldt County Drug Task Force at (707) 444-8095. Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding criminal related activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line 707-268-2539.

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# Tyler Abbott