



Eureka Police Department

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Subject: 3rd Street Heroin House Raided

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On 4/07/11, at about 12:45 PM, Detectives with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing (POP) and Criminal Investigation Services (CIS) Units served a search warrant at a residence on the 1600 block of 3rd Street, Eureka. The warrant was in response to neighborhood complaints concerning suspected heroin sales from an apartment there.

Detectives encountered and detained two males inside including the primary tenant, Robert Noel Howard (34 of Eureka), and James Matthew Bell (30 of Eureka). *POP also arrested Bell last month by for drug related offenses at a Vine Street apartment.*

During a subsequent search of the apartment, detectives located a gram scale, drug packaging materials, hypodermic syringes, a meth pipe, and unlawfully possessed prescription medication. Detectives also found a small quantity of suspected heroin concealed on Howard's person.

Howard was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession of heroin for sale, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of hypodermic syringes.

Bell was also arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for unlawful possession of prescription medication.

Anyone with information concerning suspected drug sales activity occurring in 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.

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Robert Howard



James Bell