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On 6/09/10, the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit, assisted by Agents with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force, conducted a "prostitution sting" in Eureka's Old Town area. This operation was in response to complaints of increasing activity by prostitutes working along 3rd Street west of the Humboldt County Library.

Officers utilized male decoys or "Johns" (undercover officers and agents) driving a car loaned to EPD for the sting by a local business, J&L Towing & Transport. During the course of the approximately 5 hour operation, the following suspects were arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional facility:

- **Nature Ren'a Davis**, 21, was arrested for soliciting an act of prostitution (a negotiated sex act for money).
- **Johanna Marie Moran (AKA: Johanna Frank)**, 27, was arrested for loitering with intent to commit prostitution and soliciting an act of prostitution.
- **Lisa Marie Yocum (AKA: Lisa Henderson)**, 32, was arrested for soliciting an act of prostitution and for a felony warrant alleging possession of a controlled substance.
- **Ramona Diane Cooper (AKA: Ramona Mueller)**, 50, was arrested for loitering with intent to commit prostitution and soliciting an act of prostitution. Cooper was also arrested for possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia after officers found a small quantity of methamphetamine on her person.
- **William David Smith III**, 31, was arrested for loitering with intent to solicit prostitution and soliciting an act of prostitution after he stopped to pick up a prostitute for sex.
- **Another 33-year-old female** (name unavailable) was also arrested for loitering with intent to commit prostitution and soliciting an act of prostitution.

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