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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Subject: Inspection/Abatement Warrant on Henderson Street

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On April 22, 2019 the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP) and Parks and Waterfront Ranger assisted the City of Eureka Code Enforcement Unit with the execution of an Inspection/Abatement warrant at a residence on the 100 block of Henderson Street. This warrant was a follow-up to EPD's April 9th search warrant where Code Enforcement officers located numerous code violations within the house and on the property.

As a part of the warrant process, the tenants were served a 24-hour notice to vacate on Friday, April 19, 2019. The tenants were given the weekend to remove their belongings from the property. During today's warrant, approximately six people were located inside the residence and structures on the property. They were given approximately 45 minutes to vacate.

Once the property had been vacated, crews boarded up and secured the residence and all structures on the property due to substandard conditions, trash, illegal wiring, and still no power or running water. City crews removed two 40 yard dumpsters of trash and waste from the yard of the residence, along with a dump truck load of tires.

Nuisance properties create blight in a neighborhood and often attract a criminal element that has an immediate and sometimes sustained effect on the quality of life for those that reside in the neighborhood. Most of these properties take a consistent effort by many different entities, from both the City and the public, to get to an outcome like what was achieved today for this neighborhood. The Eureka Police Department would like to thank everyone that has been involved in this process and would encourage more residents to be involved in making their neighborhoods a better place to live!



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Ongoing drug and nuisance activity within the city limits of Eureka can be reported to the POP unit by calling (707) 441-4373.

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Original Press Release:

On April 9, 2019 at about 2:30 p.m. the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing (POP) unit executed a search warrant at a residence on the 100 block of Henderson Street. The search warrant was in response to narcotic related activities and nuisance complaints.

Seven people were located on the property and detained. During a search of the residence, detectives located methamphetamine, narcotic paraphernalia, and a plastic container containing several hundred hypodermic syringes.

As a result of the investigation, the following were arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility:

Robert Leialoha Neiva (59 of Eureka) arrested for maintaining a drug house and possession of a controlled substance.

Rose Marie Cooper (37 of Eureka) arrested for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and probation violation.

David Fredrick Bott (52 of Eureka) arrested for possession of a controlled substance and probation violation.

City of Eureka Code Enforcement also responded to the location and inspected the residence for code violations. During the inspection it was determined the residence had no power or water. Water was being collected in barrels and brought into the residence with buckets. Code Enforcement is actively working to resolve the issues located at this residence.

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