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"BAD DOSE" TAKES DOWN DOZENS OF DRUG TRAFFICKERS AND DEALERS

Eighty-two drug dealers and traffickers were arrested during a three-day crackdown to help curb opioid abuse and the rise in related deaths.

The Broward Sheriff's Office carried out "Operation Bad Dose" with the assistance of the Drug Enforcement Administration, Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, the U.S. Marshals, the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area, State Probation and the Fort Lauderdale Police Department.

"This devastating crisis knows no bounds and affects individuals of every race, color and socioeconomic status. It's infecting our neighborhoods, poisoning our children and filling our morgues," Sheriff Scott Israel said. "We are committed to ending this alarming epidemic and saving lives."

Operation Bad Dose is the culmination of several months of heroin investigations, in which undercover detectives utilized tips from informants and the public to identify subjects bringing heroin into our county and the dealers selling it on our streets.

The operation resulted in 82 arrests, 14 executed search warrants, more than 29,600 grams of narcotics stopped from being distributed and 15 firearms and more than \$151,000 seized.

In the state of Florida, heroin trafficking of 28 grams or more carries a minimum mandatory sentence of 25 years in prison.

MEDIA NOTE: Here's a link to a folder on box.net that includes mug shots, arrest reports and video from Operation Bad Dose:

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