

MOHAVE COUNTY

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MAGNET OPERATION AND ARRESTS

On Wednesday (8/6), Special Agents with the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), along with Detectives from the Mohave Area General Narcotics Enforcement Team (M.A.G.N.E.T.), a HIDTA initiative and ACJC Supported taskforce, ended a 9-month undercover investigation targeting individuals involved in drug and firearm trafficking in Mohave County.

During the course of the operation, investigators seized approximately 32.5 pounds of methamphetamine, 1 gram of powder fentanyl, 26 40mm grenades, 28 firearms from convicted felons including 3 that were fully automatic, 1 ghost gun, and 4 firearms that had been reported stolen. This operation, nicknamed "Operation Mohave Typewriter" culminated in the arrest of 15 identified suspects.

During the operation ATF, DEA and MAGNET were also assisted by the Bullhead City Police Department, Mohave County Sheriff's Office and the Flagstaff Police Department "METRO" taskforce. This operation is ongoing with the possibility of further charges and additional arrests.

Subjects arrested include:

- David Alan Baker**, 51 of Golden Valley, charged with two counts Possession of a Weapon by Prohibited Person, and two counts 1st Degree Trafficking in Stolen Property
- David James Daniels**, 58 of Golden Valley, charged with three counts Possession of a Weapon by Prohibited Person, 1st Degree Trafficking in Stolen Property, and Possession of Narcotic Drugs
- Joan Louise Lapointe**, 63 of Kingman, charged with two counts Sale of Dangerous Drugs, and Transport of Dangerous Drugs for Sale
- Mathew Montijo**, 50 of Kingman, charged with three counts Selling Prohibited Weapons, and Misconduct Involving Weapons
- Richard Damon Eldridge**, 44 of Chloride, charged with four counts Misconduct Involving a Firearm, six counts Sale of Dangerous Drugs, and four counts Transport of dangerous drugs for sale
- Richard Ryan Hanson**, 53 of Golden Valley, charged with two counts Possession of a Weapon by Prohibited Person, 1st Degree Trafficking in Stolen Property, and 1st Degree Burglary
- Rosemary Ann Gomez**, 39 of Chloride, charged with six counts Misconduct Involving a Firearm, three counts Sale of Dangerous Drugs, two counts Transporting Dangerous Drugs for Sale, Promoting Prison contraband, and Possession of Dangerous Drugs
- Shayleigh Joanne Wolsey**, 34 of Kingman, charged with Possession of Dangerous Drugs for Sale, and Transporting Dangerous Drugs for Sale
- Michelle Diane Dahl**, 57 of Kingman, charged with Possession of Dangerous Drugs for Sale, and Transportation of Dangerous Drugs for Sale

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- Hugo Dominguez-Rodriguez**, 39 of Calexico, CA, charged with three counts Possession of Dangerous Drugs for Sale, and three counts Transportation of Dangerous Drugs
- Jordan Andrew Purdy**, 34 of Golden Valley, charged with Possession of a Weapon by Prohibited Person
- Tyler Ian Troy Stidham**, 22 of Golden Valley, charged with 1st Degree Burglary
- Scott Alle Bell**, 62 of Golden Valley, booked for Parole Violation Felony Warrant, and 5 misdemeanor warrants for Contempt of Court
- Christopher Michael Donnelson**, 29 of Golden Valley, booked for two Felony Probation Violation warrants
- Tanya Marie Bales**, 37 of Golden Valley, booked for Felony Warrant for Possession of Dangerous Drugs