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CASE UPDATE: Palm Coast Poison Peddler Facing Fentanyl Trafficking Charge Following Further Investigation

BUNNELL, Fla. — Ryan McArthur, who was arrested by the Flagler County Sheriff's Office on July 1 during a narcotics-related search warrant at his residence, has been rearrested following further investigation.

Working with the 7th Judicial Circuit State Attorney's Office, FCSO's Special Investigations Unit detectives obtained an arrest warrant on Nov. 10 for trafficking in fentanyl (over 28 grams) and unlawful use of a two-way communications device. The additional charges stem from a controlled narcotics purchase that occurred during the five-month investigation preceding the search warrant and McArthur's arrest in July. The charges were being held pending the results of lab tests by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.



Ryan McArthur (Volusia County Branch Jail mug shot)

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The arrest warrant was served at the Volusia County Branch Jail, where McArthur, 37, of Palm Coast, is currently being held without bond.

“Thanks to a thorough investigation by our SIU team and prosecution by State Attorney R. J. Larizza’s office, this poison peddler should go to prison for a very long time,” said Sheriff Rick Staly. “If you’re a poison peddler, I suggest you get the hell out of Flagler County because we are coming for you next to send you away to prison for a very long time.”

Upon conviction, the trafficking in fentanyl charge carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 25 years in prison and a \$500,000 fine.

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FCSO Shuts Down Two Drug Houses in Two Days

BUNNELL, Fla. — The Flagler County Sheriff’s Office shut down two Palm Coast drug houses in two days following narcotics-related search warrants after a five-month investigation into a local drug trafficking organization.



A “This Drug House Closed for Business” sign is posted in the front lawns of Rosecroft Lane A and 45 Bruning Lane in Palm Coast following search warrants conducted by the Flagler County Sheriff’s Office.

In the early morning of July 1, Sheriff Rick Staly, FCSO’s Special Investigations Unit, and SWAT team served a search warrant at 21-A Rosecroft Lane. There, they located and apprehended Ryan McArthur, 37, a fugitive with an active warrant from Volusia County, Florida, for trafficking in fentanyl. McArthur initially refused to comply with orders to exit the residence through the front door, and SWAT team members located him through a bathroom window, where they saw him actively trying to destroy narcotics by flushing them down the toilet. The SWAT team breached the window and again ordered

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McArthur to exit the residence, which he eventually did.

During the search of the residence, detectives located and seized fentanyl, as well as various drug paraphernalia items, seven cell phones, and \$2,840 in cash.

Detectives arrested McArthur for possession of fentanyl, possession of drug paraphernalia, resisting arrest without violence, and his out-of-county warrant. He was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where he is being held without bond.

The following morning, Sheriff Staly, SIU, and SWAT team served another search warrant at 45 Bruning Lane. There, they apprehended Eric Lamb, 38, on the patio behind the house.

During the search of the residence, detectives located and seized methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia with cocaine residue.

Detectives arrested Lamb for possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. Additionally, detectives determined that Lamb was in violation of probation from prior arrests in both Flagler and Volusia counties. He was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where he is being held without bond.



Ryan McArthur and Eric Lamb (Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility mugshots)

“They say the early bird catches the worm. . . well, our SIU and SWAT team had two early mornings in a row, because the early bird catches the drug dealer, too!” said Sheriff Staly. “This was excellent work by all of the detectives and deputies involved to shut down drug houses and eradicate these drug businesses from our neighborhoods. If you’re a drug dealer in Flagler County, I suggest you get the hell out of Flagler County, because we’re coming for you next.”

During the search on Bruning Lane deputies observed a door mat that said, “Come back with a warrant.” “They asked us to come back with a warrant, so we did,” Sheriff Staly added.

The investigation is ongoing, and additional charges may be added.

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Sheriff Rick Staly during the search warrants at 21-A Rosecroft Lane and 45 Bruning Lane.

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