



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4900

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Search Warrant Service.

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: Location #1) 2700 block of Hegan Lane, Chico, CA.

Location #2) 6100 block of Dalton Way, Magalia, CA.

DATE/TIME OCCURRED: June 30, 2016 @ approx. 1030 hrs.

INCIDENT CASE NUMBER: 16-4903

VICTIM: State of California

SUSPECT: Michael Dennis VINCENT, 51 years old, resident of Magalia, CA.

NARRATIVE:

Chico Police Detectives received information regarding the sales and transportation of marijuana occurring at the above listed Hegan Lane location. An investigation into these allegations took place and probable cause was established to obtain a Search Warrant from the Butte County Superior Court. The Search Warrant included both the Hegan Lane location in the City of Chico and the Dalton Way location in the Town of Magalia.

On June 30th, 2016 at approximately 1030 hrs the Chico Police Department assisted by the Butte County Sheriff's Office served the search warrant at both locations. Michael Dennis VINCENT, the suspect in this investigation was taken into custody without incident at the Dalton Way location in Magalia. Three employees (all adults) were detained at the Hegan Lane location in Chico. The business in Chico was identified as "Zente Farms" and the detainees were later released from the scene.

The Search Warrant service at the Hegan Lane location in Chico revealed large amounts of U.S. Currency, large amounts of processed marijuana, an elaborate indoor marijuana cultivation operation with over 300 live marijuana plants, a large amount of Butane Honey Oil and evidence of marijuana sales & transportation.

Supervisor:

Watch Commander:

Prepared By: LT. Mike Nelson

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The Search Warrant service at the Dalton Way location in Magalia revealed possession of controlled substances to include cocaine, methamphetamine, human growth hormones (steroids) evidence of marijuana sales and additional U.S Currency.

The evidence collection portion of this investigation required further resources from the Butte Inter-agency Narcotics Task Force and Special Enforcement Unit Detectives from the Butte County Sheriff's Office.

This case is still under investigation. Anyone who may have additional information regarding this investigation and / or these locations is asked to contact the Chico Police Department Criminal Investigations Section at 530-897-5820.

A supplemental press release will follow in the next few days providing further details regarding the amounts of marijuana and controlled substances recovered.

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