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Attorney General Ashley Moody News Release

Attorney General Moody Announces Charges for Fentanyl Dealers, Suppliers in Multi-Jurisdictional Central Florida Operation

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General Ashley Moody is announcing criminal charges for fentanyl dealers and suppliers in a multi-jurisdictional Central Florida operation. A joint investigation into a heroin and fentanyl trafficking organization operating across Volusia and Lake counties culminated with a series of arrests and the seizure of significant amounts of fentanyl and the equipment used to process it.

The 5-month multi-jurisdictional investigation into the Drew Daly drug trafficking organization, “Operation Daly Dose,” identified sources of supply responsible for distributing multiple kilograms of fentanyl per month in both counties.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, “The fentanyl crisis continues to plague America and Florida is certainly not immune to the massive amounts of Fentanyl flooding into our country. This large-scale investigation has led to the dismantling of a fentanyl trafficking network and more than 30 individuals are now behind bars for buying and selling this poison. My statewide prosecutors will aggressively prosecute these cases and we will continue to fight back with our law enforcement partners against this crisis.”

Volusia County Sheriff Michael Chitwood said, “There should be no sympathy for what these scumbags are doing to our community. We’re all talking all the time because we all have the same mission. The mission is to keep our communities as safe as possible.”

Lake County Sheriff Peyton Grinnell said, “The agencies you see represented up here today are going to continue to attack this problem from an enforcement level. But we need our parents and grandparents out there to talk to their kids and their grandkids about the dangers of this fentanyl.”

While authorities made arrests throughout the investigation, Volusia County Sheriff’s Deputies arrested approximately two dozen defendants during a recent sweep from nine search warrants executed across the DeLand and Orange City areas. The defendants’ various charges include armed trafficking in fentanyl, heroin, meth, cocaine, and MDMA, among many other crimes.

Authorities seized more than 2,300 grams of fentanyl during the investigation, along with approximately 53 grams of black tar heroin, 138 grams of cocaine, 423 grams of meth, 43 grams of MDMA, 180 opioid pills, along with other items.

In addition to Drew Daly, the arrests included suppliers, Vernon Woodward II and Preston Ingram. At least one overdose death in Deltona is under investigation with a potential connection to the Daly organization. The 2,319.7 grams of fentanyl seized during the operation equate to more than 1.5 million individual doses. The arrests also included Daly's girlfriend, Lauren Toce, who is responsible for a child who experienced a drug overdose in 2020 and survived after receiving Narcan at Halifax Health Medical Center in Daytona Beach. While incarcerated for violating probation for child neglect in that case, Toce conspired with Daly and his brother Patrick Daly in an attempt to smuggle cocaine, Xanax and other contraband into the Volusia County Branch Jail. Authorities intercepted those efforts.

The Volusia Bureau of Investigation, the West Volusia Narcotics Task Force, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Homeland Security Investigations, Drug Enforcement Agency, the Lake County Sheriff's Office and Attorney General Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution cooperated in the joint investigation. The Attorney General's OSP will prosecute these cases.

The following defendants are arrested as of this writing:

- **Vernon Woodward II B/M 09-23-1981 (Orange City)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Trafficking in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Cocaine (28 Grams or More)
- Trafficking in Cocaine (28 Grams or More)
- Conspiracy to Manufacture Fentanyl
- Manufacture Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two Way Communications Device

- **Preston Gerald Denard Ingram B/M 03-06-1987 (DeLand)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Trafficking in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Cocaine (28 Grams or More)
- Trafficking in Cocaine (28 Grams or More)
- Delivery of Cocaine
- Manufacture Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Drew Thomas Daly W/M 06-30-1993 (DeLand/Lake County)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Trafficking in Fentanyl (28 Grams or more)
- Trafficking in Fentanyl x 3 (4 Grams or more)
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Cocaine (28 Grams or More)
- Possession of a Conveyance with knowledge that the Conveyance will be used for the Sale of a Controlled Substance
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Stolen Property by Organizing, Planning or Supervising the Theft of Property

- Conspiracy to Introduce Contraband into a County Detention Facility
- Possession of Cocaine (VSO 22-20914)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Terell Devon Ross B/M 11-19-1982 (DeLand)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Armed Trafficking in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Armed Trafficking in Methamphetamine (Over 200 grams)
- Armed Trafficking in Cocaine
- Armed Trafficking in MDMA
- Armed Trafficking in Heroin
- Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Darrell Deandre Woodward B/M 01-11-1983 (Orange City)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Cocaine (28 Grams or More)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Lauren Marie Toce W/F 11-17-1987 (DeLand)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Trafficking in Fentanyl (14 grams or more)
- Trafficking in Fentanyl (4 grams or more) (2)
- Possession of a Conveyance w/ Knowledge It Will Be Used for the Sale of a Controlled Substance
- Conspiracy to Introduce Contraband into a County Detention Facility
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Brian Heath Vestal W/M 10-15-1977 (DeLand)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Cocaine (28 grams or more)
- Possession of a Conveyance for the Sale of a Controlled Substance
- Possession of a Structure w/ Knowledge It Will Be Used for Trafficking in a Controlled Substance
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Michelle Lynn Bishop W/F 06-03-1990 (DeBary)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (14 grams or more)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Tina Marie Herschman W/F 05-18-1971 (Deltona)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (4 grams or more)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Allison Rebeka Gathings W/F 01-26-1995 (Orange City)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Solicitation to Deliver Cocaine
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Courtney Marie Long W/F 07-06-1968 (Orange City)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Purchase Fentanyl
- Solicitation to Deliver Cocaine
- Conspiracy to Purchase Cocaine
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Michael Patrick Hunt W/M 03-05-1983 (Port Orange)**

- Purchase of Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Purchase Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Daniel Wayne Morris W/M 09-04-1982 (DeBary)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (4 Grams or More)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Jessica Paige Jones W/F 04-15-1991 (DeLand)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Purchase Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Katie Lee Jones W/F 04-15-1991 (DeLand)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Danielle L Santopietro W/F 08-11-1982 (Orange City)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Andre Martinez W/M 04-06-1970 (Deltona)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Purchase Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Fernando Scott Lagunas W/M 12-27-1992 (DeLand)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (14 grams or more)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Brandon Kurtis Williford W/M 01-16-1982 (Orange City)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Solicitation to Purchase Buprenorphine
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Michael Wade Cooper W/M 03-29-1973 (DeLand)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Donald Irvin Longenecker W/M 03-10-1981 (DeLand)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way communications Device
- Trafficking in Stolen Property by Organizing, Planning or Supervising the Theft of Property
- Conspiracy to Traffic in Stolen Property by Organizing, Planning or Supervising the Theft of Property
- Felony Petit Theft with Two or More Priors

- **Chelsea Fults-Paine W/F 05-28-1983 (DeLand)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Richard Alan Beckner W/M 08-27-1965 (DeBary)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Purchase Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Kevin Lee Moore W/M 12-28-1993**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Frederick Roy McDaniel III W/M 11-17-1988 (DeLand)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

The following are wanted as of this writing:

- **Jarrick Lorenzo Ross B/M 05-01-1993 (Orange City)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Patrick Steven Daly W/M 03-17-1991 (DeLand)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (14 grams or more)
- Delivery of Cocaine
- Delivery of Buprenorphine
- Delivery of Alprazolam
- Conspiracy to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Introduce Contraband into a County Detention Facility
- Introduction of Contraband into a County Detention Facility
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Robert Lee Yates W/M 07-25-1989 (Deltona)**

- Conspiracy to Traffic in Fentanyl (28 grams or more)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Donald Lowell Lucas III W/M 08-20-1978 (DeLand - Sexual Predator)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Brian Keith Pitzer W/M 07-21-1970 (Deltona)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Possession of Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Jose Angel Gomez Jr (aka "Guido") W/M 10-16-1978 (Orange City)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Solicitation to Deliver Cocaine
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

- **Matthew Quinn Stomber W/M 02-01-1995 (Orange City)**

- Solicitation to Deliver Fentanyl
- Conspiracy to Deliver Fentanyl
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device

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