## News Release from The Honorable Sandra Doorley

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## Long-Term Narcotics Investigation Results in Drug and Weapon Recovery

Rochester, NY- On Wednesday, February 27, the Monroe County Heroin Task Force and the Greater Rochester Area Narcotics Enforcement Team (GRANET) utilized information collected from a long-term narcotics investigation to issue search warrants at multiple locations within the City of Rochester and the Town of Greece. These search warrants were executed by GRANET, the Rochester Police Department, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and the Greece Police Department. The New York State Division of Parole, Homeland Security Investigations, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and Border Patrol also assisted in this collaborative investigation.

Six individuals were arrested as a result of the search warrants and were charged with various drug and weapons charges. Those arrested include Thomas Strickland, Matthew Tucker, Nathaniel Doyle, Willie Thomas, Lerone Johnson and Demetrius Scott.

During the raid, law enforcement seized over 200 grams of heroin, approximately 50 grams of fentanyl, approximately \$50,000, a stolen handgun, crack cocaine and marihuana.

"Today's search warrants are a perfect example of the long-term investigations we sought after when creating the Monroe County Heroin Task Force," said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "This investigation not only helped remove fentanyl and heroin from our community, but it is also bringing some of those responsible for selling these deadly drugs to justice. Since the inception of the Monroe County Heroin Task Force, the law enforcement collaboration in our community has truly been incredible and I am hopeful that we will continue to remove these deadly narcotics off of our streets."

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