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MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES CHARGE INMATE WITH PROMOTING PRISON CONTRABAND

Re: Inmate Roberto Santos

Rochester, NY (March 22, 2019) – On Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., Monroe County Sheriff's deputies charged Inmate Roberto Santos, 35, Rochester, with one count of Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree (Class E-Felony).

On 3/20/19, while conducting a security tour of a housing area inside the Monroe County Jail, deputies detected the smell of smoke. Upon investigation, deputies determined the smell was coming from the cell of Inmate Roberto Santos. Deputies immediately initiated a search of Santos and his cell. Deputies observed Santos place an unknown item in his mouth and attempt to swallow it. After refusing several orders to turn over the contraband to deputies, Santos eventually did so. Deputies recovered a brown leafy substance from Santos, believed to be tobacco, and a white powdery substance from Santos, which tested positive for cocaine. Another unidentified white powdery substance was sent to the crime lab for further testing.



Roberto Santos 35 years old Rochester, NY

Charges:
Promoting Prison Contraband, 1st (Class E-Felony)

"We must remain diligent in our fight to keep drugs out of our jail," *said Sheriff Todd K. Baxter*. "Drugs inside our walls threaten the security of the staff, inmates, and the many community partners serving the inmate population inside the Monroe County Jail. We have no tolerance for Santos' actions, which put everyone at risk when he made the decision to promote prison contraband."

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