SWEETWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Wednesday, October 30, 2024 **MEDIA REQUESTS:** Please email <u>kcox@coswtr.org</u>

Sweetwater Police Department Executes Narcotics Seizures Near Local Schools

Sweetwater, Texas-The Sweetwater Police Department recently executed two separate search warrants related to ongoing narcotics investigations. Both operations were conducted at residences within one thousand feet of Sweetwater ISD schools, underscoring the department's commitment to maintaining a safe environment for students and residents alike.

The results of these search warrants led to the confiscation of:

- Approximately 44 grams of methamphetamine
- Approximately 41 grams of cocaine
- Approximately 5 ounces of marijuana

Additionally, officers seized various paraphernalia associated with the sale and distribution of illegal narcotics.

Two subjects were arrested during the execution of the two search warrants. Esperanza Amaya was arrested and is charged with Manufacture/Delivery PG 1 >4 grams <200 grams, and Possession of Marijuana >4, <5 lbs. Jacob Ian Strain is charged with two counts of Manufacture/Delivery PG 1 >4g, <200g, Possession of Methamphetamine, and Possession of Cocaine. Both Amaya and Strain are booked in the Nolan County Jail.

"These actions demonstrate our continued commitment to safeguarding our schools and neighborhoods," stated Chief Bryan Sheridan. "The Sweetwater Police Department remains vigilant in our efforts to remove dangerous substances from our streets, especially in areas close to our educational institutions."

No further information will be released at this time.