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Chico Police Take Dangerous Felon Off the Street
-- Investigators Confiscate Weapons & Illegal Drugs --

Chico, CA – In a successful early-morning police operation, the Chico Police Department SWAT team served a high-risk search warrant, Thursday, June 29, 2017, which resulted in the arrest of one man and the recovery of numerous weapons and illegal drugs.

Police obtained a search warrant based on investigative information indicating a resident of a home in the 1200 block of N. Cedar Street, was in possession of multiple firearms. The resident was identified as 32-year old Omarr Lewis of Chico. A records search revealed Lewis is a convicted felon, therefore he is prohibited by law from possessing any firearms. It was also confirmed Lewis had multiple active warrants for his arrest.

At approximately 5:30AM, police served the warrant and took Lewis into custody without incident. Lewis was the only occupant of the residence at the time; nobody was injured during the service of the warrant.

After securing the residence police searched the property. Police recovered two weapons; a Mossberg short-barrel shotgun and a Smith & Wesson revolver. Both weapons were loaded. In addition, police recovered an armored body-vest such as those used by law enforcement officers. Police also discovered one-point-eleven (1.11) grams of methamphetamine and unlawfully possessed prescription medication.

“This successful effort by members of the Chico Police Department is yet another example of our commitment to ensuring our community is safe for all residents,” said Chico Police Chief Michael O’Brien. “The subject in this incident was a convicted felon who had dangerous weapons in his possession. We believe he had these weapons for illegal intent or to cause harm to others.”

Police arrested Lewis at the residence. He was transported to the Butte County Jail. In addition to his outstanding warrants, Lewis is also now charged with Being a Felon in Possession of Firearms and Ammunition, Possession of Methamphetamine and Illegal Possession of Prescription Medication.

****Photo of Lewis Attached**

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The Chico Police Department is committed to ensuring our community is a safe place to live, work, and recreate within!



Photo: Omarr Lewis