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SEARCH WARRANT RESULTS IN ARRESTS FOR ILLEGAL NARCOTICS AND A FIREARM

On February 5, 2025, detectives from the Special Investigations Division obtained a search warrant for an apartment at 126 Lakewood Drive in Luling. Investigators made contact and spoke with 34-year-old Leah Walters and 46-year-old Ryan Sorrels. During a search of their residence, investigators recovered drug paraphernalia, several hypodermic syringes, a tan-colored rifle-style firearm, a clear plastic bag that contained cocaine (2 grams), a clear plastic bag that contained fentanyl (.66 grams), a clear plastic bag that contained methamphetamine (9 grams), marijuana (294 grams), and a small vial of liquid testosterone (steroids). Also located and seized were approximately twenty marijuana plants. The room used to grow the marijuana plants was equipped with LED lights, fans, humidifiers, water, and water supplements. Several adult plants were housed in a large black tent-like apparatus.



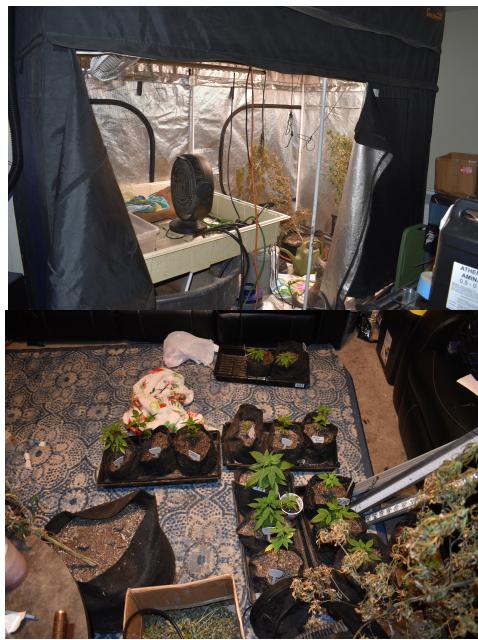
Leah Walters was arrested and charged with:

- Manufacturing/Cultivation of Marijuana
- Possession with intent to distribute Methamphetamine
- Illegal Carrying of Weapon in the Presence of CDS
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia



Ryan Sorrels was arrested and charged with:

- Illegal Carrying of Weapon in the Presence of CDS
- Manufacturing/Cultivation of Marijuana
- Possession with intent to distribute Cocaine
- Possession of Fentanyl
- Possession of Steroids
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia



**All subjects are innocent until proven guilty