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Narcotics Search Warrant

Location of Incident: 12000 Block of E. 35th Street - Yuma, AZ

On Friday, July 14, 2023, at approximately 7:10 AM, the Yuma County Narcotics Task Force (YCNTF) – which is a multi-agency task force, comprised of officers and agents from the Yuma County Sheriff's Office and Homeland Security Investigations- served a narcotics search warrant at a residence in the 12000 block of E. 35th Street.

Richard Pitts

With the assistance of YCSO K-9 Aisha, the search of the residence led to the discovery of approximately 6.80 ounces of methamphetamine, 50 grams of black tar Heroin, 2.1 grams of Cocaine, 73 Fentanyl pills, and 10 ounces of Marijuana totaling an estimated street value of $7,018. Also seized were 12 Marijuana plants, equipment for manufacturing THC concentrate, items of paraphernalia indicative of street sales, and multiple firearms.

The suspect, identified as **Richard Alexander Pitts III**, 54, of Yuma, AZ, was arrested and booked into the Yuma County Detention Center for Possession of Dangerous Drugs for Sale, Possession of Dangerous Drugs, Possession of Narcotics for sale, Possession of Narcotics, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Misconduct involving Weapons.

The Yuma County Sheriff's Office would like to remind the public to call (928) 783-4427, or (928) 78-CRIME to remain anonymous, to report any suspected drug activity or visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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