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PRESS RELEASE

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Burglary and Narcotics Arrest

Location of Incident: 5000 Block of W. County 14th Street –Yuma, AZ

On Monday, August 24, 2026 at approximately 2:46 PM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office (YCSO) received a report of a residential burglary located in the 5000 block of W. County 14th Street.

The initial investigation revealed that a subject made forced entry into a residence and a vehicle located on the property. The suspect fled the area with multiple stolen items. After further investigation and collection of evidence, YCSO Deputies were able to identify the suspect.

On Tuesday, August 25, 2026, Deputies made contact with the suspect at his residence. The suspect attempted to flee on foot, prompting Deputies and assisting agencies to search the area. He was eventually located hiding in a neighbor's yard and taken into custody without further incident.

The suspect, identified as **David Ruiz**, 23, of Somerton, AZ, was arrested and booked into the Yuma County Detention Center for 2nd Degree Burglary, Criminal Damage, and Criminal Trespassing.

On Wednesday, August 26, 2026, YCSO executed a search warrant at the suspect's residence. The search resulted in the discovery of additional evidence related to the burglary investigation, as well as narcotics.

The Yuma County Narcotics Task Force responded and assumed the narcotics investigation which resulted in a seizure of approximately 5.84 ounces of THC Liquid with an estimated street value of \$3,320, 13 ounces of marijuana with an estimated street value \$3,690, 2.6 grams of mushrooms, and multiple Items of paraphernalia indicative of street sales.

This investigation resulted in additional drug related charges of Possession of Marijuana for Sale, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Dangerous Drugs and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

The Yuma County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the following agencies with their assistance in locating the suspect: Cocopah Police Department, Somerton Police Department, Yuma Police Department Drone Unit & U.S. Border Patrol.

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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