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PRESS RELEASE

Bremerton Police Arrest Man in Prescription Pill Distribution Case

Over the past two weeks, detectives with the Special Operations Group (SOG) conducted an investigation into a large-scale, prescription pain-pill distribution operation involving a 30-year old Bremerton man identified as Ryan A. Brown. During the course of the investigation, numerous Percocet pills were purchased from Brown on two different occasions. Detectives obtained search warrants for Brown's vehicle as well as his residence. A total of three arrests were made at the conclusion of this investigation, and further arrests are possible. Percocet is a Schedule A drug, and illegal possession or distribution is a felony.

On January 29, 2014, SOG detectives arrested Brown while he was parked at a restaurant parking lot near Wheaton Way and Sylvan Way. When Brown was arrested he was in the process of completing another Percocet sales transaction with an adult female, who was seated in his vehicle's passenger seat. Another adult female was parked nearby waiting to purchase pills from him. Also at the time of Brown's arrest, he was found to be in possession of approximately 100 Percocet pills, ready for distribution.

During the service of the search warrant at Brown's residence, located in the 300 block of E. 29th Street, in Bremerton, a stolen handgun was found under Brown's pillow. Additionally, a large safe was located inside the residence that contained 2 additional handguns, 4 rifles (including an AK-47 assault rifle), approximately 500 more Percocet pills and over \$100,000 in cash, all of which was seized. The Percocet pills located have a street value of approximately \$18,000. Additionally, detectives located a large marijuana grow operation consisting of over 100 plants. Detectives removed the excessive marijuana plants, leaving behind 15 plants due to the fact that Brown possessed a medical marijuana authorization.

Brown was booked into the Kitsap County Jail for Possession of a Stolen Firearm, three felony counts of Delivery of a Controlled Substance (Percocet), felony Possession of a Controlled Substance (Percocet) With Intent to Deliver, and Manufacturing a Controlled Substance, Marijuana. Brown was released by the Kitsap County Jail due to medical reasons.

The Special Operations Group is a multi-agency undercover team which includes personnel from Bremerton and Poulsbo Police Departments.

