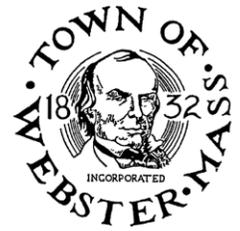




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To: All Media Outlets

From: Deputy Chief Michael Shaw

Date: June 18, 2018

RE: 443 grams crack cocaine/40k seized.

On June 16th, shortly after 6 am, Detectives and Officers from the Webster Police Department utilizing the Central Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council SWAT team, executed a search warrant for narcotics at 12 Emil Street on the second floor. While police were conducting that search warrant, a resident of that apartment, Joseph Vancelette Sr., 48, was at the station inquiring about his son, Joseph Vancelette Jr, 21, also of 12 Emil Street, as he had been arrested for intimidation of a witness, disturbing the peace, and disorderly conduct earlier that night.

On June 14th, a reported home invasion had occurred at 12 Emil Street on the second floor, which resulted in a round being fired in through the floor and subsequently landed in the first floor kitchen. There were no injuries and Webster Police Detectives are investigating that incident.

As police were conducting the search warrant at Emil Street, Vancelette Sr. was placed under arrest and began to fight with officers in the interview room. He assaulted officers and police were forced to use a Taser to place him into custody.

Vancelette Sr. had driven to the station, and as such his vehicle was towed. Upon its inventory, 443 grams of crack cocaine was found inside, along with \$41,000 cash. The value of the crack is estimated to be around \$15,000.

Vancelette Sr. is charged with Trafficking in Cocaine 200 grams or more
Two counts of assault and battery on a police officer
Disorderly Conduct
Wantonly Injuring Real or Personal Property
Resisting Arrest

At 12 Emil Street Vancelette Jr was charged with possession of a Class B substance, which is believed to be cocaine.

James Vancelette, 18, 12 Emil Street second floor, was charged with possession of a Class D Substance with the intent to distribute. HE was found with a pound of marijuana, \$1000 cash

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James Vancelette was released on \$140 on bail
Joseph Vancelette Jr was released on \$40 bail.
Joseph Vancelette Sr was held on \$10,040.

All three will be arraigned at the Dudley District Court today, June 18th.

