

New Bedford police arrest four, seize fentanyl, Oxycodone and crack cocaine

During two separate street-level incidents on May 28, New Bedford police detectives seized oxycodone, fentanyl, and crack cocaine and large amounts of cash.

After detectives observed a drug transaction, 49-year old Jose Gonzalez-Delgado of 1851 Purchase St., Apt. #38, is charged with trafficking, conspiracy, and possession to distribute. 34-year-old Joel Rodriguez of 89 Collette St., Apt. #2, is charged with trafficking and conspiracy. Police seized more than 22 grams of Oxycodone and \$640 as a result of the incident.

Later that day, detectives observed what appeared to be a separate drug transaction on Acushnet Ave. near Wood Street. 26-year old Johnny Veras of 773 S. First St., Apt. #3, is charged with trafficking, possession to distribute and conspiracy. Veras currently has three open court cases for possession and distribution of Class A drugs in 2018 and home invasion in 2016. The following was seized during the arrests; 16 grams fentanyl, a small quantity of crack cocaine and \$916.

Chief Joseph Cordeiro applauds Narcotics Detectives for their determination and resilience at this time. "The extraordinary circumstances of COVID-19 has not stopped our Detectives from doing incredible work to keep the residents of New Bedford safe. They continue to be successful in getting drugs off the streets."

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