



COLUMBIA RIVER DRUG TASK FORCE

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The Columbia River Drug Task Force reports a joint operation with Homeland Security Investigations resulting in a search warrant service of a residence in the 900 block of Methow Street in Wenatchee, WA. This residence has been involved in numerous firearms, gang and narcotics investigations in the past. The residence is a known gang “hang out”. The search warrant was served by the newly formed East Cascade SWAT Team in the early morning hours of June 30, 2022 resulting in two known gang members being arrested on Felony warrants. Jorge Verduzco Mendoza, a 24 year old male and his brother, Osvaldo Verduzco Mendoza, a 28 year old male were booked into the Chelan County Regional Justice Center on their warrants. Three handguns were seized during the course of the search warrant to include a stolen firearm from Ephrata, WA.

CRDTF expects to file more charges after the investigation is complete. CRDTF detectives are working with our federal counter parts with HSI and Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) as part of the investigation.

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