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Kaua'i police conduct massive islandwide drug sweep

LĪHU'E – The Kaua'i Police Department (KPD), in conjunction with federal agencies, was responsible for the arrests of 12 individuals today, including Kaua'i County Councilmember Arthur Brun.

“The suspects under indictment today were identified as part of a major drug trafficking organization that has been supplying a significant amount of methamphetamine throughout the community,” said Chief of Police Todd G. Raybuck. “They now face felony charges under a federal indictment for conspiring to distribute methamphetamine and other crimes.”

KPD initiated a narcotics investigation, which expanded into identifying a drug trafficking organization that was responsible for selling large quantities of methamphetamine on Kaua'i.

Due to the size and scope of the investigation, KPD partnered with a number of federal law enforcement partners – the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Homeland Security Investigations; the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Hawai'i; and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Kaua'i police, along with their federal partners, have been working together on this long-term investigation to establish and identify the island's major players in promoting and distributing dangerous narcotics.

A press conference regarding today's event will be held at 8 a.m. Friday at KPD headquarters (3990 Ka'ana St.) in Līhu'e.



For more information about this investigation, such as the names of those arrested, please contact Ashley Mah Edwards of the U.S. Department of Justice at ashley.edwards@usdoj.gov.

The indictment can be accessed on Pacer at pacer.gov.

Please note that mugshots for this investigation will not be forthcoming. Additionally, please understand that this is an ongoing investigation and information may be limited at this time.

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