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11-Month Investigation Leads SDPD to the Arrest of Seven in Narcotics Ring

San Diego – In June 2026, San Diego Police Department Mid-City Division detectives concluded an 11-month investigation into illegal narcotics sales and weapons violations across City Heights, Downtown San Diego, and Pacific Beach. Detectives identified multiple residences and vehicles used to manufacture, store, and distribute drugs and illegal weapons. The suspects used several Instagram accounts as platforms to sell narcotics to college students and manufacture illegal firearms.

During the investigation, detectives executed 15 search warrants of homes, vehicles, and social media accounts across San Diego County. In a coordinated effort, 7 felony arrests were made. This successful operation involved a joint effort by the San Diego District Attorney's Office - Narcotics Division, SDPD Mid-City Division Detectives, Narcotics Task Force (NTF) Team 8, SDPD Criminal Intelligence Unit, Mid-City Crime Suppression Team, Mid-City Patrol Officers, and Central Division Downtown Response Team (DRT).

During the overall investigation, detectives seized over a kilogram of cocaine (2 lbs.), eight gallon-sized bags of marijuana, five gallon-sized bags of psilocybin mushrooms, 630 Xanax pills, Percocet pills, digital scales, and over \$40,000 in cash.

In addition to narcotics, there were 16 firearms recovered, to include rifles with illegal modifications. A substantial amount of rifle and handgun ammunition was recovered. An assortment of rifles and handguns with loaded high-capacity magazines, and firearm build kits were recovered. And lastly, five ballistic vests and a ballistic helmet were recovered as a result of the operation.

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