Governor’s Office of Youth Faith and Family

Arizona Parents Commission on Drug Education & Prevention
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- Arizona HIDTA
- 2020 - Top Five Drug Threat
- Drug Price Quarters 2 & 3 CY 2020
- AZHIDTA / Counter Narcotics Alliance
Arizona HIDTA coordinates and supports the efforts of 620 full-time and 177 part-time participants from 71 agencies.

25 Initiatives (task forces) are located in the nine HIDTA designated Counties.
2020 Drug Threat
1 - Methamphetamine
2 - Fentanyl
3 - Marijuana (THC Derivatives)
4 - Heroin
5 - Cocaine
During the first nine months of CY 2020, compared to the same period in CY 2019, seizures of:
- Methamphetamine decreased 19%
- Fentanyl in powder form increased 82%
- Fentanyl in tablet form increased 129%
- Marijuana decreased 45%
- Heroin decreased 2%
- Cocaine decreased 8%
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CY 2020 - 2nd and 3rd quarter Drug Price
• Methamphetamine – increase of 33-77%
• Fentanyl – increase of 17-35%
• Marijuana – increase of 2-9%
• Heroin – increase of 20-30%
• Cocaine – increase of 10-13%
Xanax Crossroads

Counter Narcotics Alliance
Narcotic and Violent Crimes Unit
Patrol Tip

6/11/2020 – Street level receives a tip from TPD Patrol

“Nico” and “Rudy” are selling meth, cocaine, Molly, Xanax, and Marijuana on SnapChat.
The not so subtle SnapChat
Suspects Identified

Roldolfo “Rudy” Ruiz

Andronico “Nico” Arvizu
On July 13th, an undercover deal is made with Nico for 3.5 grams of methamphetamine and 3.5 grams of cocaine.

The undercover purchase happens in the parking lot of the Baymont Hotel.

The pair are then associated to a white Dodge Ram Pickup.
South Harrison Overdose

NVCU responds to a double overdose at a residence on the East Side of Tucson

| Age 19 | Age 16 |
Overdose Investigation

-Witness states victims were planning to take “Percs”

-Search of the victim’s room locates a Xanax pill in a paraphernalia bag

-Minor Victim admits to purchasing Xanax and M30s from a dealer she contacted through her phone

-Search warrant served on her phone shows she purchased the drugs from a “Flakko Arvizu”

“Flakko Arvizu” Facebook
The Cases Cross

- Analyst ties the Facebook “Flakko Arvizu” to “Nico Haro”

- A NVCU detective recognizes “Nico Haro” as a suspect in an active Street level Case

- Street Level officers provide the real identity and known locations of the suspects.

- NVCU Locates the suspects’ vehicle at the Baymont Hotel and begins surveillance.
Combined Surveillance

Surveillance watches the vehicle and suspects travel to the Circle K at S Cardinal and W Los Reales Rd.

Numerous short contacts are observed.

Review of the Baymont registry shows a room rented by Cesilia Rodriguez with a Dodge Ram listed.

Officers confirm Cesilia is the known girlfriend of Rudy.
Arrest of Ruiz & Rodriguez

Street Level officers set up a deal with Ruiz
Search of the Dodge Ram
Arrest of Arvizu

Search Warrant served on the hotel room
Search of the hotel room
Arrests

Andronico Arvizu – Sale of Narcotic and Dangerous Drugs; Possession for sale; Possession of firearms in a drug offense; Involving a minor in a drug offense; Prohibited Possessor

Roldofo Ruiz – Sale of Narcotic and Dangerous Drugs; Possession for sale; Possession of firearms in a drug offense

Cesilia Rodriguez – Facilitating Drug Sales
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