## CHATHAM-SAVANNAH COUNTER NARCOTICS TEAM

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## Press Release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Joint Operation Leads to Large Heroin and Cocaine Seizures

POOLER, Georgia (May 28, 2019): Two people are in custody following a large seizure of heroin and cocaine.

On Saturday, May 25, undercover agents with the Chatham-Savannah Counter Narcotics Team and the Pooler Police Department were conducting joint operations. During the operations, contact was made with two people outside a parked vehicle in the Tanger Outlets parking lot. A search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of a large amount of heroin and cocaine in addition to other forms of controlled substances and items commonly associated with the distribution of controlled substances. Also seized was more than \$17,000 in cash and a newer model SUV.

CNT arrested 36-year-old Jose Muniz of New York and 32-year-old Vjay Matos of Florida. Muniz and Matos were charged with Trafficking a Controlled Substance and are currently being held at the Chatham County Detention Center. Muniz was wanted by New York for various felony drug charges to include 3cts Sale of a Controlled Substance (Heroin) at the time of his arrest.

The seized drugs have an estimated street value of more than \$10,000.

This is an ongoing investigation and additional charges are expected.

Said CNT Director Everett Ragan, "CNT heavily relies on our local agencies to provide us aid in various forms and this operation highlights that partnership. We proudly stand with all local agencies in a unified effort to protect our communities against drug trafficking."

Said Pooler Police Chief Ashley Brown, "We appreciate the support of CNT as we continue to ensure the streets of Pooler are safe. Drugs cross city lines and we

cannot combat them alone. It takes a joint effort to track down and arrest those individuals who are bringing drugs into our community."

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