

CHATHAM-SAVANNAH COUNTER NARCOTICS TEAM

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Press Release

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Marijuana Seizure at a Local Middle School Leads to a Search Warrant of a Residence

SAVANNAH, Georgia (November 1, 2018): The Chatham-Savannah Counter Narcotics Team (CNT) conducted a search warrant at a residence after a middle school student brought marijuana on campus.

Yesterday, CNT and Savannah Police Department responded to a local middle school after receiving information a student was found to be in possession of marijuana. CNT agents determined the child obtained the marijuana from the child's residence and brought it to school with the intent of selling it to fellow students.

CNT obtained a search warrant for the child's residence located in the 1500 block of East 56th Street. The search warrant resulted in the seizure of nearly three pounds of marijuana, multiple digital scales, and other items commonly associated with the distribution of controlled substances. More than \$1,000 was also seized. CNT arrested 48-year-old Toby Broxton and 38-year-old Lois Ward, also known as Lois Edwards-Broxton, both of Savannah. Both Broxton and Ward were charged with Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute and Possession of Tools for the Commission of a Crime; both are felony charges. Broxton and Ward remain in the Chatham County Detention Center.

The Division of Family Child Services is involved in the investigation. Said CNT Director Everett Ragan, "I am truly saddened by this investigation and thankful the marijuana was seized before it was able to spread throughout the school. Parents should be role models for their children and not their drug supplier. I

am hopeful this case will serve as a reminder to all that we have zero tolerance for drugs in our school system or community. I am thankful for the partnership we have with Savannah-Chatham County Public School Board, their police department and Savannah Police Department. It was the quick action of all parties involved that led to a successful outcome.”

The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected.

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