

City Police arrest three in huge heroin bust

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On October 28, 2015 the Plattsburgh City Police Arrested Taurian West 27 of Jersey City, New Jersey, Christopher Mason 26 of Plattsburgh, New York and Beatriz Cruz 27 of Plattsburgh, New York. The arrests stem of the execution of a search warrant by the Adirondack Drug Task Force at 49 Lafayette Street in the City of Plattsburgh. On 10/28/15 a search warrant issued by the City of Plattsburgh Court was executed. As a result West was found to be in possession of approximately 559 individual bags of heroin. Police estimate the street value of the heroin to be over \$20,000. Other items recovered were various items used in the distribution of heroin and approximately \$1,500 in U.S. Currency. West was charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd Degree a Class B Felony. Mason and Cruz were each charged with Criminal Nuisance 1st Degree Class E Felonies and two counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child Class B Misdemeanors. The Criminal Nuisance charges are a result of Cruz and Mason knowingly maintaining a residence where the unlawful sale of controlled substances was taking place. The Endangering of a Child charges are a result of mason and Cruz allowing two children ages four and six be present in their residence while heroin was being sold. West was arraigned in Plattsburgh City Court and committed to the Clinton County Jail on \$100,000 cash / \$200,000 bond. Both Mason and Cruz were arraigned in Plattsburgh City Court and committed to the Clinton County Jail on \$10,000 cash / \$20,000 bond. The execution of all the search warrant was a result of an investigation conducted by the Adirondack Drug Task Force which is comprised of members of the Plattsburgh City Police Department, Clinton County Sheriff s Department, New York State Police, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Border Patrol, Homeland Security Investigations, Clinton County District Attorney s Office and the Essex County Sheriff s Department.

	Beatriz Cruz 27	Christopher Mason 26	Taurian West
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