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LOWELL MAN ARRESTED FOR TRAFFICKING HEROIN FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Detectives from the Lowell Police Department's Special Investigations Section arrested two men this afternoon following an investigation into the distribution of Heroin in the City. After observing what they believed to be a drug transaction take place in the parking lot of 576 Lawrence St. Detectives approached the suspects inside a their vehicle. Upon seeing the police approaching the driver looked at the Detectives and backed into their cruiser, then exited the Honda and fled on foot with Detectives in pursuit. The suspect eventually jumped into the Concord River in an attempt to escape. He surrendered after a few minutes in the freezing water and was taken into custody. **He is Kelvin Sanchez-Baez age 38 of Lowell and West Palm Beach Florida. He was subsequently charged with Failing to Stop for a Police Officer and Operating without a License.**

The second occupant of the vehicle was found to be in possession of a small amount of what is suspected to be heroin. Investigators were able to secure a search warrant for the subject's residence and located over 153 grams of suspected heroin packaged for sale, \$4906.00 in cash and paraphernalia used in the illegal distribution of narcotics. **He is Juan Manardo Roman-German age 58 of Lowell. He is charged with Trafficking in Heroin 100 grams or more, Possession of a Class A Substance w/Intent to Distribute and a 2009 Default Warrant for Possession of a Class B Substance with Intent to Distribute.** Both men will be arraigned in Lowell District Court in the morning.



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