LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



PRESS RELEASE

On 8/10/2020 around 3:00 PM, a LPD Patrol Officer observed a vehicle fail to stop at a posted stop sign at the intersection of 17th Ave and Houston Dr. The vehicle accelerated at a high rate of speed and the officer pursued the vehicle. The vehicle made an unsafe and abrupt turn into oncoming traffic and almost caused a collision as it turned into the Travelodge parkinglot where a traffic stop was performed on the vehicle.

The driver was identified as 29 year old, Rowdy Sharp, from Hanford. The passenger was identified as 26 year old, Allison Russell, of Hanford. During the traffic stop, Sharp's license was discovered to be suspended/revoked and he was displaying visible objective signs of being under the influence of a controlled substance. Drug Recognition Tests and Field Sobriety Tests were performed on Sharp. Sharp was subsequently arrested for suspicion of driving under the influence of a controlled substance.

As a result of the investigation, illegal narcotics were located on both Sharp and Russell's person. Approximately 2 grams of Heroin, 2 grams of Methamphetamine, and Xanax pills were located on Russell. Approximately 2 grams of Heroin, a half gram of Methamphetamine, and Xanax pills were located on Sharp. A search of the vehicle revealed additional illegal narcotics paraphernalia.

Sharp was issued a citation for illegal drug and paraphernalia possession then released. Russell was arrested and booked into the Kings County Jail for driving under the influence, drug and paraphernalia possession, and driving on a suspended/revoked license. Sharp's bail was set at \$30,000 dollars.

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