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Drug Operation Indictments & Arrests

Forty-nine indictments for forty-one persons on drug related charges were returned by an Anderson County Grand Jury in April 2012 after investigations by the Anderson County Sheriff's Department Special Operations Unit. Since Monday, April 9, deputies have been making arrests on these indictments as well as continuing investigations on drug activity related to these individuals.

The Special Operations Unit conducted these drug investigations over the last few months. Persons indicted for manufacture, sales, delivery, or possession either sold to undercover agents or were in possession of illegal drugs for resale. These indictments also include charges resulting from meth lab investigations and the purchase of pseudoephedrine. Charges include sale or possession for resale of prescription or legend drugs, cocaine, and methamphetamine related offenses.

Of the forty-one persons indicted, twenty-three were charged with prescription narcotics offenses and fourteen for methamphetamine related charges including seven pseudoephedrine purchase violations. One person was charged with sale of cocaine, one was charged with both prescription narcotics and cocaine offenses, and two were charged for prescription narcotics and methamphetamine.

As of April 12, twenty of the forty-one persons indicted have been arrested by sheriff's deputies or were already in jail on unrelated charges. Investigators will continue to search for the remaining offenders.

These indictments come after long hours and hard work by investigators of the Sheriff's Special Operations Unit. The District Attorney General's Office also spent many hours assisting investigators by preparing and presenting these cases to the Grand Jury.

Sheriff Paul White