

Holyoke Police arrest 3 after 2 drug investigations

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HOLYOKE – Police arrested three people in two separate raids Friday following extensive drug investigations.

Ronnie Jacobs, 36, and Crystal Martinez, 31, both of Holyoke, were charged with trafficking in heroin following a 6 a.m. at 50 West St. The two were arraigned in Holyoke District Court later that day, Holyoke Police Capt. Matthew Moriarty said.

The raid came from information learned in a joint investigation from the narcotics and vice division of the Holyoke Police Department, the FBI's Western Massachusetts Gang Task Force, Homeland Security Investigations, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Task Force and the Hampden County Sheriff's Office, he said.

After receiving a court warrant, investigators searched the home and found large amounts of heroin and drug paraphernalia, he said.

About an hour later, police with a search warrant raided a second home at 358 Tokeneke Road in Holyoke and arrested one man after finding cocaine in the residence, Moriarty said.

Gabriel Rivera, 37, was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, Moriarty said.

The arrest came after an investigation by the narcotics and vice division of the Holyoke Police Department, the Massachusetts State Police and Homeland Security, he said.