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Media Release: July 16, 2019 Two arrested with a gun and 3.75 pounds of narcotics

CASE #: 19-06190

ARRESTED: Paul Matthew Garcia, 29-year-old Santa Cruz Resident
Allison Nault, 22-year-old Brookdale Resident

CRIMES:	11378 H&S Possession of Methamphetamine for Sales	Felony
	11378 H&S Possession of Psilocybin for Sales	Felony
	11351 H&S Possession of Cocaine for Sales	Felony
	11351 H&S Possession of Heroin for Sales	Felony
	29800 (a) (1) PC Felon in possession of a Firearm	Felony
	11375 (b) H&S Possession of a Controlled Substance for Sales	Felony
	22610 (a) PC Felon in Possession of a Stun Gun	Felony
	11370.1 H&S Possession of a Controlled Substance While Armed	Felony

Yesterday around 12:00 P.M., detectives from the Sheriff's Office Narcotics Enforcement Team found Allison Nault and Paul Garcia at a hotel in the 1700 block of Soquel Avenue. Nault was on probation and Garcia had a warrant for his arrest. Detectives arrested Garcia outside the hotel room near his vehicle as he tried to leave. Detectives searched the hotel room where Nault was hiding and found 3.75 pounds of various narcotics as well as a loaded .40 caliber handgun.

Narcotics found in the hotel room:

291.81 grams of Cocaine
819.91 grams of Heroin
544.28 grams of Methamphetamine
27 grams of Psilocybin Mushrooms
18.84 grams of Marijuana
201 Prescription Pills

Detectives found over \$9,000 dollars in cash along with scales and packaging material. The estimated street value of the narcotics is \$102,000 dollars. Garcia and Nault were both arrested and booked into the Santa Cruz county jail for narcotic sales and weapon charges. Garcia and Nault's bail amount was set at \$250,000 dollars.

Sheriff Jim Hart said, "Methamphetamine and heroin are wreaking havoc in our community. These drugs are tearing families apart and contributing to the escalating mental health crisis that we are experiencing. The two suspects in this case, were caught distributing large amounts of illicit drugs. Our narcotics team did a great job on this case and now it's up to the District Attorney and the Court to hold them accountable."

PREPARED BY:
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