



Drugs Seized at Attica and Gowanda Correctional Facilities

Synthetic Marijuana, Suboxone and Amphetamines Discovered in Packages Mailed to Inmates

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Attica , NY – Drugs continue to be seized at a rapid rate at correctional facilities across the state. In the latest seizures, officers discovered over 17 ounces of Synthetic Marijuana in packages mailed to inmates at Attica and Gowanda Correctional Facilities.

At Attica Correctional Facility, a maximum security prison, officers seized amphetamine sheets inside mail envelopes on Monday, April 27, and Tuesday, April 28. On Monday, May 4, officers discovered 314 grams of Synthetic Marijuana, commonly known as K2, and 120 strips of Suboxone in food cans.

At Gowanda Correctional Facility, a medium security prison, staff discovered 79 grams of K2 hidden in a food can on Friday, March 20. On Thursday, April 16, officers discovered 8.5 grams of K2 and four strips of Suboxone hidden inside a green pepper. On Friday , April 24, staff discovered 96.1 grams of K2.

The drugs were mailed from downstate and Rochester. They were taken into evidence and the investigations are continuing.

“Day after day, staff discover drugs in different forms hidden in envelopes and food packages mailed to inmates. We have seen a significant increase in the amount of drugs discovered in inmate packages since inmate visits were suspended during this pandemic. There is a very obvious correlation between the suspension of visits and the increase of drugs in mailed packages. DOCCS could put a severe dent in that drug flow if they would implement the Secure Vendor Program NYSCOPBA has been asking for. Until then this will continue to be a significant problem.” – stated Mark Deburgomaster, Western Region Vice President.