



**CITY OF FALL RIVER MASSACHUSETTS
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**PRESS RELEASE
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Subject: FRPD Vice Unit Search Warrant

On Thursday, May 16th, 2019 Detectives from The Fall River Police Departments Vice and Intelligence Unit were on pre-search warrant surveillance in the area of 133 McGowan Street. The target of the search warrant was Luis A. Cruz age 37 of 133 McGowan Street. Lead Detective Heather Moniz was assisted by Detective Sergeant William Falandys, Detectives Gary Barboza, Richard Aguiar, Kwin Silva, Josh Robillard, and Tryce Grant.

At approximately 2:30 pm Detective Barboza observed Cruz operating a Brown Ford Explorer east on McGowan Street. Cruz is known to a REVOKED license status. The Explorer was stopped and Cruz was taken into custody, informed of the search warrant, and escorted to his residence.

Once inside the residence, the warrant was executed. Detectives located a pill bottle stuffed between the sofa cushions. Inside this bottle were 37 individual rocks of suspected Crack Cocaine (approx. 16.9 grams). Detectives confiscated 396 dollars of U.S. currency located on top of the kitchen cabinet as well as 25 dollars of U.S. currency from Cruz' pocket.

Luis A. Cruz age 37 of 133 McGowan Street was taken into custody on charges of:

- Possession to Distribute Class B Substance - Subsequent offense
- Operate a Motor Vehicle with Revoked License – Subsequent offense

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