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News Release

Richmond Police Recover Stolen Guns

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Richmond Police Second Precinct FMT detectives and agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms have been working together to remove guns from the streets of Richmond.

The in-depth operation lasted several months and culminated over the weekend with the arrest of four individuals who were charged with selling stolen firearms in Richmond.

Richmond Police and ATF agents conducted surveillance on the suspects and were able to purchase more than a dozen stolen guns from the individuals. The weapons are alleged to have been stolen from Virginia's Department of General Services warehouse, 1901 Darbytown Rd.

Police also seized a pound of marijuana at a residence as part of the ongoing investigation.

Police arrested –

Ralphfield C. Sinkley, 26, of Chesterfield
Antre R. Worthington, 23, of Henrico
Larry M. Logan Jr., 25, of Chesterfield
Donald M. Cotton, 23, of the 600 block of Montvale Court

Each is charged with possession and selling stolen firearms. Sinkley also was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.

“The investigation is ongoing and more arrests are anticipated,” said Chief Rodney D. Monroe. “My plan is to reduce violent crime in this city. By removing this many

weapons we are taking a significant step in reducing criminals' efforts to wreak havoc in the city."

Chief Monroe added: "We will continue to partner with other law enforcement agencies that can help us in our war on violence in this city. This is an excellent example of such a partnership."

The investigation is ongoing.