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## **MONTEREY MAN SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS IN PRISON FOR DRUG SALES AND POSSESSING DRUGS IN THE JAIL**

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**IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on June 22, 2017 Antonio Horace Rappa, age 26 was sentenced to 5 years in prison for possession of heroin and methamphetamine for sale and for possessing marijuana in the Monterey County jail.

On December 14, 2016 a Pacific Grove Police officer stopped Rappa for a traffic violation. Rappa was on parole so the officer conducted a search of his vehicle. The officer discovered 25.2 grams of heroin, baggies, a scale, a pay owe sheet and four different cell phones. Rappa was subsequently arrested.

On January 1, 2017 a Sand City Police officer contacted Rappa asking to purchase heroin from him. Rappa agreed and a meeting was arranged. When Rappa arrived the officer searched Rappa's vehicle. In the vehicle Rappa had 26 grams of heroin, 27 grams of methamphetamine, 19 different prescription pills, 41 plastic zip lock baggies, a digital scale and \$923.00 cash.

On May 27, 2017 while in the Monterey County Jail, Rappa was found to be smoking marijuana with three other inmates in his cell.

Monterey County Superior Court Judge Julie R. Culver sentenced Rappa to 5 years in prison which will be served in the county jail due to Realignment.

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