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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF A VIOLENT CRIME SUPPRESSION DETAIL IN THE METRO EAST AREA

EAST ST. LOUIS – Illinois State Police (ISP) conducted a violent crime suppression detail on October 28 and 29, 2024, in St. Clair and Madison counties, focusing its efforts on East St. Louis and neighboring Metro East communities. The operation utilized intelligence and technology to target known high crime areas, violent offenders, and structured criminal groups in the communities of the Metro East.

Detail Results	
Arrests	27
Felony Charges	33
Criminal Charges	55
Firearm Related Charges	27
Firearms Seized	16
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	1

There were several notable events and arrests during the detail.

On October 28, 2024, troopers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for IVC violations. The vehicle stopped and the driver attempted to walk away from the troopers. Troopers detained the driver, located, and seized a loaded firearm that was previously reported stolen. One subject was taken into custody.

On October 29, 2024, troopers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for IVC violations. A subsequent search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of approximately 20 grams of suspected cannabis, open alcohol, and 2 loaded firearms. Two subjects were taken into custody.

On October 29, 2024, troopers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for an IVC violation. The vehicle stopped, the driver and passenger attempted to exit the vehicle, but were ordered to return to the vehicle. A subsequent search of the vehicle revealed 2 loaded firearms and an additional loaded extended firearm magazine. The driver and passenger were taken into custody.

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Nearly 52 ISP officers from around the state, including Troop 3, Troop 6, Troop 7, Troop 8, Troop 9, Troop 10, South Fatal Four Team, Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 6, Firearms Investigations Unit, Air Operations and the Public Safety Enforcement Group joined forces with the Special Operation Group Statewide Anti-Violence Enforcement Unit for the multi-day operation.

ISP will continue to use all available resources, including air operations, technology, forensic services, investigators, increase patrols, and information sharing to combat violent crime.

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