

QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

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Mission

The State Bureau of Investigation serves to reduce crime and increase security. Our mission is to provide professional investigative services to all people by investigating crime and working with allied agencies and the community.

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The State Bureau of Investigation is excited to unveil the new SBI logo! In an effort to solidify SBI's identity and to make SBI's services more recognizable we have selected this emblem. We hope this will better tell our story, build trust and above all communicate the professionalism we provide in our investigative services.



Violent **CRIME** Investigations



The Violent Crimes section of The Utah Department of Public Safety/State Bureau of Investigation is committed to providing specialized resources to the public in an effort to stop violent offenders' criminal activity.

The Violent Crimes Section is primarily responsible for investigating crimes involving narcotics, illegal firearm possession, drug interdiction and illegal gang activity.

Narcotics Unit

Since the beginning of Operation Rio Grande, SBI created a newly formed group of agents, primarily tasked to investigate narcotics, gangs, and violent crimes through proactive and intelligence based policing. The Narcotics Unit is currently comprised of ten SBI agents and one AP&P Agent.



Narcotics Unit Statistics (2017-July 2019)

634 Physical custody arrest

10.3 lbs of Heroin

6.2 lbs of Cocaine

56.3 lbs of Methamphetamine

7.5 lbs of Marijuana

1.3 lbs of MDMA/Psilocybin

2.9 lbs of Spice

2,102 Pills

483 Drug Dealers

58 Firearms Seized

29 Stolen Vehicles


59 Search Warrants

265 Felony Warrants

151 Misdemeanor Warrants

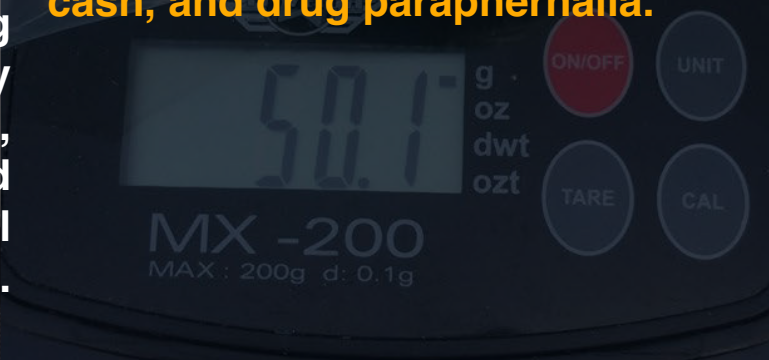
186 Fugitives

\$5,462,416 Warrants-Bail



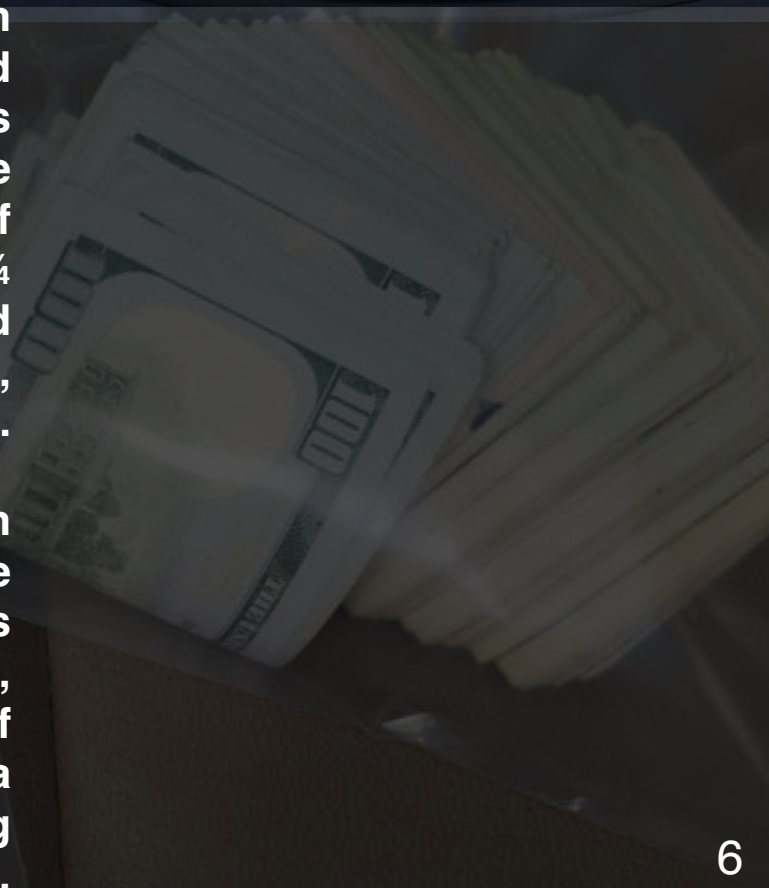
On April 23rd, SBI Agents, executed search warrants on two residences on a case stemming from the purchase and attempted purchase of a firearm by a restricted person. During a search of the residence, agents recovered a 7mm rifle and ammunition.

On May 1, Agents identified a drug distribution target in an apartment and executed search warrant and seized approximately 6 ounces of crack cocaine, a large amount of cash, and drug paraphernalia.



In May, Agents worked an on-going narcotics investigation. They conducted controlled traffic stops, made multiple arrests and seized multiple ounces of heroin and a ball of cocaine.

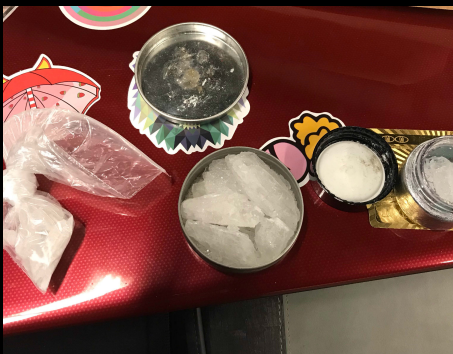
Agents conducted an investigation based on a UHP traffic stop that lead to a drug house where agents executed a search warrant. The investigation resulted in the arrest of four suspects and agents seized 1 ¼ pounds methamphetamine, ½ pound of cocaine, ¼ pound of marijuana, and ½ ounce of heroin.



In June, agents executed a search warrant of a residence. Multiple occupants were arrested and agents seized 12 firearms (2 stolen), approximately ½ pound of methamphetamine, marijuana, and a dozens of items of drug paraphernalia.



Alcohol Enforcement Team



The mission of the Department of Public Safety/State Bureau of Investigation Alcohol Enforcement Section is to enforce the state laws and regulations governing the sale and use of alcoholic beverages in a manner that provides a safe and secure environment for all people in Utah.

The Alcohol Enforcement Section is committed to enhancing the quality of life and safety of the people of Utah by eliminating the incentives and opportunity to commit liquor offenses through apprehension and prosecution and also to protect licensees and public through education and crime prevention.

YOUTH ALCOHOL SUPPRESSION

One of the many things the Alcohol Enforcement Team does is youth alcohol suppression. The team will attend a variety of events in which there's a high likelihood of underage drinking. These events include: concerts, festivals, raves, or other largely attended events such as Sundance. In 2018 agents issued 130 citations while working 15 different events.

In addition to looking for underage drinking, the team had a goal this year to pay attention to the licensee which usually acquired a single event permit from DABC that outlines specific rules the event agreed to. Of the 15 events worked 52 different licensees were checked with 4 being referred to DABC for violations and 9 given warnings for minor violations.





MAJOR CRIME Investigations

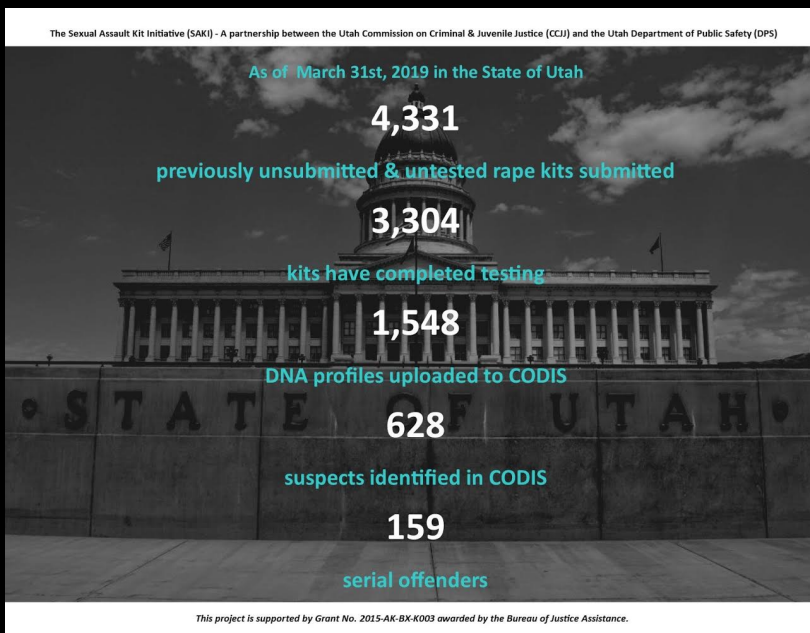


The Major Crimes Section of The Utah Department of Public Safety/State Bureau of Investigation is committed to providing specialized investigations and assistance to law enforcement and the public.

The Major Crimes section is primarily responsible for investigations involving homicide and violent crime, violent extremism, cyber crime, sexually motivated crime, and complex financial frauds.

SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT INITIATIVE (SAKI)

The Department of Public Safety is a sub-grantee of two Sexual Assault Kit Initiative grants that are managed by the Utah Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ). These grants provide DPS the opportunity to lead a multi-disciplinary team of investigators, victim advocates, forensic nurses, forensic scientists and prosecutors focused on addressing untested and unsubmitted sexual assault kits throughout the state of Utah. SBI Agent S. O'Camb, D. Coats and Victim Advocate A. Walker are currently working with local agencies to investigate over 60 active SAKI cases, evaluating over 120 CODIS hits they've received this year alone and are following up on over 3,300 kits that have completed testing since the program began.



Learn more about SAKI @ <https://sbi.utah.gov/victim-services/sexual-assault-kit-initiative-saki/> or follow the Utah Sexual Assault Kit Initiative on Facebook.

SAKI Investigators' Role

- Liaison between DPS, Bureau of Forensic Services (crime lab) & LE
- Outreach to the 130+ Utah agencies
- Provide training on best practices
- Assist local agencies with investigations
- Assist with victim notifications
- Participate in SAKI case reviews
- Act as clearinghouse for SAKI information & questions
- Develop sample policies & protocols
- Provide input on legislative bills and policy making from LEA perspective
- Interact with media

On May 22, SBI agents responded to a fatal shooting on I-84 near Snowville. After a multiple day manhunt the suspect was located and arrested in Idaho. He has been charged with Aggravated Homicide and Attempted Aggravated Homicide.

On June 24, 2019 Agents responded to a death investigation involving a man who was located in a vehicle that drove off a hill in Helper, Utah.

On June 27, responded to a park in Corrine to assist the Box Elder County Sheriff's Office with a suspicious death investigation involving a deceased teenage male who had been found at a park.



SBI agents assisted the Logan Police Department investigative the murder of a five-year-old girl who was taken from her home in the middle of the night. Agents conducted searches for evidence and helped process the crime scene.

On April 30, agents were able to locate and arrest a man for threats of terrorism (F2) who was suspected of hand delivering violent letters to the Utah State Capitol stating he would commit acts of terrorism before July 24th and kill specific politicians or law enforcement officers if his demands were not met.



On May 8th, Agents were able to locate and arrest an individual with a \$250,000 warrant for F1 Sodomy on a Child and F2 Sex Abuse of a Child.

Outreach and Education



SBI agents provided outreach, education and support to many local law enforcement agencies and communities involving a wide variety of services.

- Over the Easter weekend, the SBI Alcohol Enforcement Team assisted the Juab County Sheriff at Little Sahara sand dunes. Agents walked many miles speaking to several hundred people.
- On June 22, SBI agents worked with the Utah Highway Patrol to provide outreach and education at World Refugee Day.
- On April 20th, Agents held two Gang Prevention Classes for Sudanese youth and Somali parents.

