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## **Man and Woman Arrested After Bringing Children to Drug Deal**

Over the past few weeks, Detectives with the Leon County Sheriff's Office VICE Unit and Agents with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement conducted an operation targeting illegal Hydrocodone distribution. During the operation, undercover detectives bought a total of 95 pills on three separate occasions from a man and woman. Today, during the third undercover purchase, detectives observed the suspects had brought three young children, all under the age of 5 years, with them during the drug deal. Detectives immediately arrested the suspects and took the children into protective custody. The Department of Children and Families was notified of this incident.

Sheriff Larry Campbell said "the fact that adults would endanger a child's welfare, by bringing them to a drug deal is reprehensible. I am pleased these drug dealers are off the street and the children are safe."

In order to protect the identity of the children, the arrested subjects names and relationship to the children are being withheld. The man has been charged with three counts of Child Neglect, three counts of Drug Trafficking and three counts of Conspiracy to Sell Drugs. The woman was charged with three counts of Child Neglect, two counts of Drug Trafficking and two counts of Conspiracy to Sell Drugs.



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