

Yesterday, police arrested two men after a significant seizure of drugs and firearms.

Gustavo Marrero, 20, and John Wayne Bartley, 24, both of Holyoke, are being held in custody on firearms charges and narcotics trafficking, according to a press conference given by Hampden District Attorney Anthony Gulluni. At approximately 1:30 p.m. yesterday, police executed a search warrant at an apartment located within the building of 119 Nonotuck St., Gulluni said. This location became of greater interest after a homicide took place in the parking lot on Sept. 3, according to Gulluni. Roughly 20,165 individual bags of heroin, over 1 kg. of cocaine, 2 AR-15 Rifle, 3 handguns, 20 extended magazines, and \$6,000 cash were seized by detectives, Gulluni said.

“We will stand with the great majority of those in holyoke who seek to lead peaceful and prosperous lives,” said Holyoke mayor Joshua.

Suspects are currently being held without right to bail pending a dangerousness hearing set to take place tomorrow, according to Gulluni.

“We will be asking them judge to deny them bail,” Gulluni said.

Dustin Christensen– Marrero and Bartley’s lawyer, provided the following statement on behalf of the accused: “Both of my clients are innocent of these charges and are looking forward to having their names cleared at trial.”