



## **BURKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**Sheriff Banks Hinceman**

# **Operation: RED JOINT PRESS RELEASE**

Multiple law enforcement agencies collaborated in a joint operation in Burke County on February 12 and 13, 2025.

Participating agencies included the Burke County Sheriff's Office, NC Department of Adult Corrections Community Supervision/Probation and Parole, NC Department of Adult Corrections Special Operations and Intelligence Unit, United States Marshals Service Carolinas Regional Fugitive Task Force, Glen Alpine Police Department, Morganton Department of Public Safety, Valdese Police Department, and the NC Department of Prisons State K9 Unit. Burke County EMS was also on standby to address any potential medical emergencies.

The operation focused on ensuring that high-risk offenders were complying with court-ordered conditions while also gathering information regarding narcotics activity, gang involvement, and ensuring sex offender compliance. During the operation, Probation Officers, assisted by officers from the participating agencies, conducted compliance checks on offenders currently under supervised probation due to multiple community complaints and information provided by law enforcement. Officers also served numerous outstanding Probation and Post-Release warrants on offenders and issued new criminal charges.

By the end of this operation, 39 searches were attempted, with 30 successfully conducted, leading to 27 arrests. Among those arrested, three probationers were found maintaining a dwelling for narcotics, including one involved in Fentanyl trafficking. Authorities issued 19 charges for simple possession of Methamphetamine, Cocaine, and Fentanyl, along with 14 charges for possession of drug paraphernalia. Additionally, multiple firearms were seized for unlawful possession, including one case involving a felon in possession of a firearm. Several cases remain under investigation.

<b>Name:</b>	<b>HOMER LEE COOK</b>		
<b>DOB:</b>	02/24/1990	<b>Age:</b>	34
<b>Race:</b>	White	<b>Sex:</b>	Male
<b>Address:</b>	1025 Iron Lane, Morganton		
<b>Arrest Date</b>	02/12/2025		
<b>Charges:</b>	(F) Possession Methamphetamine (F) Maintain Vehicle /Dwelling /Place CS (F) Trafficking Opium or Heroin (M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (F) Probation Violation (M) Probation Violation – 2 counts		
<b>Bond:</b>	No Bond- pending judicial review		
<b>Court Date:</b>	03/06/2025		



February 20, 2025

**Name:** TYLER BROWNE GRANT

**DOB:** 09/06/1990      **Age:** 34  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 405 Bouchelle Street, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/25  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(F) Post Release Violation  
**Bond:** \$5,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



**SHARMAINE NICHOLE HARRIS**

**DOB:** 07/21/1980      **Age:** 44  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 103 McEntire Avenue, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(F) Probation Violation (3 counts)  
**Bond:** \$35,000 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025 and 03/12/2025



**Name:** JENNIFER ELISE SWINK

**DOB:** 03/15/1988      **Age:** 36  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 1982 US 70 East, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
**Bond:** \$5,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



**Name:** MARY ANN HELMS

**DOB:** 09/18/1980      **Age:** 44  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 3841 Calico Road, Lenoir  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
**Bond:** \$5,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



**Name:** SHAWN TAYLOR POOLE

**DOB:** 05/02/1985      **Age:** 39  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 1982 US 70 East, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Maintain Veh/Dwell/Place CS  
(F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(F) Probation Violation  
**Bond:** \$25,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



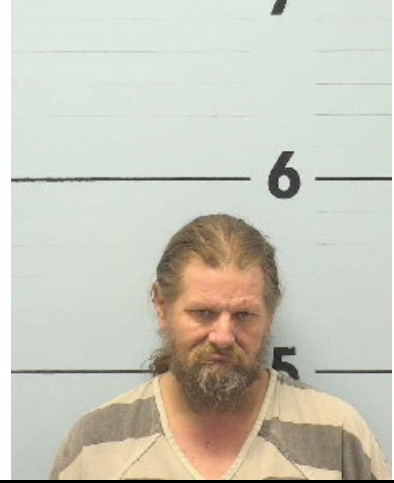
**Name:** BILLY LAMOUR JONES

**DOB:** 09/27/1978      **Age:** 46  
**Race:** Black      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 200 Linville Street, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Schedule II  
(F) Post Release Violation  
**Bond:** \$5000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



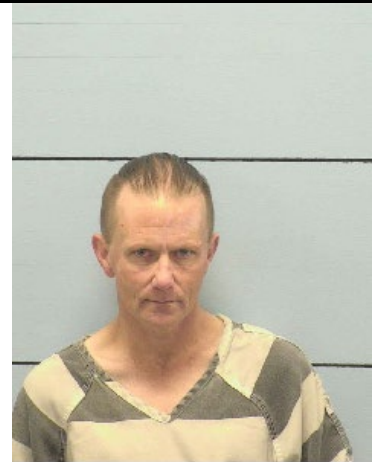
**Name:** DOUGLAS DILLARD MOORE, JR.

**DOB:** 03/09/1974      **Age:** 50  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 110 Walker Lane, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(M) Probation Violation  
**Bond:** \$3,500.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/31/2025



**Name:** ROBERT JOHN BUCKALEW

**DOB:** 05/05/1978      **Age:** 46  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 110 Walker Lane, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
**Bond:** \$5,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



**Name:** BILLY ALLEN SPURLOCK

**DOB:** 06/26/1973      **Age:** 51  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 3471 Spaniel Street, Connelly Springs  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession Schedule II  
(F) Maintain Veh/Dwell/Place Controlled Substance  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(F) Probation Violation (2 counts)  
(F) OFA- Possession of Methamphetamine  
(M) OFA- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(M) OFA- Simple Possession Schedule III CS  
**Bond:** No Bond- pending judicial review  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



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**Name:** TRAVIS DUSTIN BUFF

**DOB:** 09/04/1980      **Age:** 44

**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male

**Address:** 3414 Flat Gap Road, Valdese

**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025

**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(F) Probation Violation – (3 counts)  
(F) Breaking & Entering Building  
(F) Larceny After Break & Enter  
(F) OFA - Break and Enter Building  
(F) OFA - Larceny After Break/Enter  
(F) OFA - Possession of Burglary Tools  
(F) OFA - Obtain Property by False Pretense  
(M) OFA - Misdemeanor Larceny

**Bond:** \$35,000.00 Secured

**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



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**Name:** STACY RACHELLE MAYFIELD

**DOB:** 03/28/1989      **Age:** 35

**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female

**Address:** 405 Mountain View Drive, Morganton

**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025

**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamines  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(F) Probation Violation

**Bond:** \$5,500.00 Secured

**Court Date:** 03/06/2025 and 03/31/2025





**Name:** KATHY BENFIELD COOK

**DOB:** 11/23/1957      **Age:** 67  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 405 Mountain View Drive, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Methamphetamine  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(M) Probation Violation  
**Bond:** \$10,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



**Name:** BOBBY RAY WORKMAN

**DOB:** 11/13/1974      **Age:** 50  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 4269 Abernathy Circle, Valdese  
**Arrest Date:** 02/12/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession of Firearm by Felon  
(M) Simple Possession of Schedule II  
(F) Post Release Violation  
**Bond:** No Bond – pending judicial review  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025



**Name:** JOHN CHARLES MCMINN

**DOB:** 01/22/1989      **Age:** 36  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 2596 Meadow Wood Drive NE., Lenior  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession Methamphetamine  
(F) Probation Violation (2 counts)  
(M) Possession Drug Paraphernalia  
(M) Failure to Appear/Failure to Comply (2 counts)  
**Bond:** \$ 21,108.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/03/2025



**Name:** CHRISTIAN YVONNE BARNETTE

**DOB:** 01/27/1991      **Age:** 34  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 4047 Glen Powell Avenue, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession Schedule II  
(F) Obtain Property by False Pretense  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
(M) Simple Assault/Assault & Battery  
FTA: Non-Support  
**Bond:** \$ 12,060.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/07/2025



**Name:** JASON ALEXANDER MARBACH

**DOB:** 11/26/1973      **Age:** 51  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 3535 W. Homestead Lane, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** Post Release Violation  
**Bond:** NO BOND  
**Court Date:** Pending Hearing



**Name:** JAMES MITCHELL DICKINSON

**DOB:** 04/27/1992      **Age:** 32  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 3186 High Peak Mountain Road, Valdese  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession Schedule II  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
**Bond:** \$ 5,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/07/2025



**Name:** WHITNEY BLAKE BOSTON

**DOB:** 09/08/1994      **Age:** 30  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 922 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE., Hickory  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** **Out of County Charges (Catawba)**  
(F) FTA: Aid & Abet Larceny  
(F) FTA: Break/Enter Place of Worship  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
**Bond:** \$ 3,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 02/17/2025



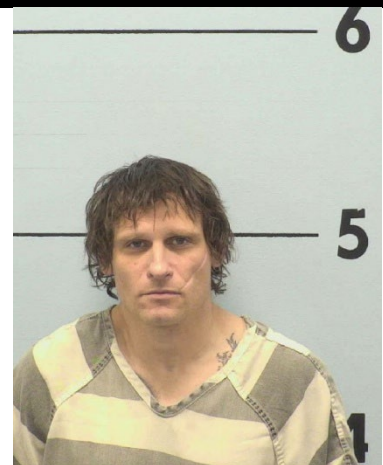
**Name:** AMBER MARIE CARSWELL

**DOB:** 08/11/1998      **Age:** 26  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female  
**Address:** 104 Fletcher Street, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** **Out of County Charges (Catawba)**  
(M) FTA: Misdemeanor Larceny  
**Bond:** \$ 1,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 02/24/2025



**Name:** CODY TRUETT RANDOLPH

**DOB:** 04/27/1990      **Age:** 34  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 3140 Denton Ray Hollar, Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** (M) Crime of Domestic Violence (2 counts)  
(M) Assault w/ Deadly Weapon (2 counts)  
(M) Assault by Pointing Gun  
(M) Communicating Threats  
**Bond:** \$ 50,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/06/2025





**Name:** **BOBBY LEE TRIBBLE JR.**

**DOB:** 04/10/1983      **Age:** 41  
**Race:** Black      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 2696 Rocky Knob Road, Connelly Springs  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** **Out of County Charges (Catawba)**  
(M) FTA: Misdemeanor Larceny  
**Bond:** \$ 1,500.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 02/24/2025



**Name:** **ZACHARY LEE THOMAS**

**DOB:** 10/28/1995      **Age:** 29  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 7329 Rockhaven Avenue, Connelly Springs  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Probation Violation  
**Bond:** \$ 10,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 04/16/2025



**Name:** **DUSTIN MICHAEL DUCKWORTH**

**DOB:** 07/18/1986      **Age:** 38  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male  
**Address:** 1782 Dearborn Street Ext., Morganton  
**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025  
**Charges:** (F) Possession Methamphetamine  
(M) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
**Bond:** \$ 1,000.00 Secured  
**Court Date:** 03/07/2025



**Name:** HOLDEN SCOTT SWANSON

**DOB:** 10/29/1988      **Age:** 36  
**Race:** Black      **Sex:** Male

**Address:** Homeless

**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025

**Charges:**      **Out of County Charges (Catawba)**  
(F) Assault w/ Deadly Weapon w/ Intent to Kill  
(150,000.00-secured bond)  
(F) Robbery w/ Dangerous Weapon  
(M) Assault w/ a Deadly Weapon

**Bond:** NO BOND

**Court Date:** 2/14/2025



**Name:** DOUGLAS LEE WOODARD JR.

**DOB:** 05/30/1993      **Age:** 31  
**Race:** White      **Sex:** Male

**Address:** 5242 Smawley Avenue, Morganton

**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025

**Charges:**      **Out of County Charges (Catawba)**  
(F) Obtain Property by False Pretense  
(F) Larceny by Ant-Shoplifting Device  
**Out of County Charges (Rutherford)**  
(M) FTA: Misdemeanor Larceny  
(M) FTA: Possession Stolen Property  
(M) FTA: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia  
**Out of County Charges (Caldwell)**  
FTA: Misdemeanor Larceny

**Bond:** NO BOND

**Court Date:** Catawba: 02/14/2025  
Rutherford: 03/10/2025  
Caldwell: 03/24/2025



**Name:** AMBER NICHOLE GREGORY

**DOB:** 05/20/1993      **Age:** 31

**Race:** White      **Sex:** Female

**Address:** 217 22<sup>nd</sup> Street SW. Apt. C, Hickory

**Arrest Date:** 02/13/2025

**Charges:** (F) Possession Schedule II (Cocaine)  
(F) Possession Methamphetamine  
(M) FTA: Possession of Marijuana  
(M) FTA: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

**Bond:** \$ 12,000.00 Secured

**Court Date:** 03/07/2025 and 02/27/2025



This operation was a multi-agency collaboration aimed at ensuring probationer compliance and safeguarding the citizens of Burke County. Such operations would not be possible without the strong partnerships between our Federal, State, and Local agencies, working seamlessly for the collective good of our communities. The Burke County Sheriff's Office sincerely appreciates the dedication and hard work of all agencies involved in this effort to keep our community safe

**Agencies Involved:**

- Burke County Sheriff's Office
- NC DAC Burke County Probation/Parole
- NC DAC Special Operations and Intelligence Unit
- USMS Carolinas Regional Fugitive Task Force
- Glen Alpine Police Department
- Valdese Police Department
- Morganton Public Safety Department
- NC DOP State K9
- Burke County EMS