

**\*\*For Immediate Release\*\***

On January 28, 2023 at approximately 7pm members with the Barre City Police Department, assisted by members of the Barre Town Police Department, executed a search warrant on a residence along the unit block of Short Street in Barre City. Among the items seized were approximately 63 grams of crack cocaine, 12 bags of fentanyl, approximately 1.77 grams of bulk fentanyl, approximately 1.3 lbs of marijuana, and \$1438 cash. 32-year-old Jovan Torres of Holyoke, MA and 38-year-old Jason Batchelder of Barre, VT were both arrested for drug related offenses. Both men were lodged pending arraignment. Torres was held on \$50,000 bail; Batchelder was held without bail due to additional probation violations.

