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### **2 Pounds of Marijuana Seized by Goldendale Police:**

**Goldendale, Washington August 25, 2008** –The Goldendale Police Department seized two pounds of marijuana from a vehicle at the Market Place parking lot on August 4th.

Lt. Reggie Bartkowski received information that a large shipment of marijuana was going to be entering Goldendale by two suspects driving a small compact car. The police department further learned that the marijuana was going to be dropped off in the parking lot of the Market Place on the corner of East Broadway and Highway 97. The Goldendale Police Department set up surveillance around the entire area. Once the police department saw the vehicle with the suspected drug dealers, the police department blocked the vehicle in and arrested two males. One is an adult male from the Yakima area and the other a juvenile from the Yakima area.

The Goldendale Police Department estimates that seventy percent of the marijuana entering the Goldendale area was being brought here by the two suspects arrested. It is estimated by the Goldendale Police Department that the juvenile offender was selling up to one pound of marijuana a week to people located in the Goldendale area.

Chief Rick Johnson stated, "This was one of the biggest busts and arrests since I have become Chief of Goldendale. Having a drug detective is paying off when we get huge arrests like these."

No further information can be released at this time based on the continuing criminal investigation. If you have any questions about this press release, please call Lt. Reggie Bartkowski at 773-3780.

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