

## Visitor Arrested at Five Points Correctional Facility

## Mother Accused of Trying to Smuggle Drugs to Inmate Son

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**Romulus, NY** – The mother of an inmate was arrested at Five Points Correctional Facility, accused of attempting to smuggle drugs into the maximum security prison during a visit.

The woman was at the facility to visit her son, on Friday, August 24, 2018. At approximately 9:50 a.m., she was questioned by security staff after a K9 alerted to her for drugs. During questioning, she surrendered two balloons that contained 4.5 grams of Synthetic Marijuana, commonly known as K2. She also removed and turned over, from inside her pants, 230 strips of Suboxone.

The woman, who is from Schenectady, NY, was transported to the New York State Police Barracks in Waterloo and charged her with one count each of Promoting Prison Contraband 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 5<sup>th</sup> and Reckless Endangerment 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The inmate, who is serving a 15 year sentence for Robbery 1st, faces disciplinary charges.

"K9s at our facilities continue to be extremely effective in catching visitors attempting to smuggle drugs to inmates. This latest incident serves as a reminder that DOCCS needs to strengthen its policies for inmate and visitor behavior like this. Illegal drugs and other contraband making their way into facilities create an even more dangerous environment for our members and inmates." — stated Joe Miano, NYSCOPBA Western Region Vice President.