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Cocaine and cash seized in Edmonton bust

Edmonton... Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team's Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (CFSEU) Edmonton wrapped up a three-month investigation with the seizure of 10 kilograms of cocaine and nearly half a million dollars in cash, marking the biggest cocaine and cash seizure for CFSEU Edmonton.

Several agencies assisted the ALERT team in this investigation including EPS Edmonton Drug and Gang Enforcement team.

The investigation concluded on Sunday, April 24, when a series of searches were conducted and a number of arrests were completed in Edmonton. Officers seized 10 kilograms of cocaine (worth \$480,000 if sold by the kilogram; worth significantly more if sold by the gram), \$478,000 in cash, and two vehicles. The cash and vehicles were seized under the Victims Restitution and Compensation Act. Two males were arrested.

Chien Chung LEE, 20, and Graham IBLE, 32, have been charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking.

ALERT is an umbrella organization established by the Government of Alberta to bring together the province's most sophisticated law enforcement resources to tackle serious and organized crime. Close to 400 municipal police, RCMP and sheriffs work for ALERT.

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