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On February 15, 2013 at about 1:30 AM Edmonds Police Department Officer Tony Collins and Ofc Kraig Strum were working in a two officer car when the observed a vehicle being driven without its headlights on. The officers turned around and contacted the two occupants as they had quickly parked their vehicle and exited the car. While talking to the two, Ofc Collins was able to determine that the driver had a suspended license and placed him under arrest. During the on scene investigation the officers determined that due to the driver having a suspended license, who was also the owner of the vehicle and that the vehicle was parked illegally, they would impound the car. While doing an inventory of the car, in front of the driver, Ofc Collins immediately discovered numerous articles of mail and other items that had names on it other than the driver and his passenger. The car was then seized and a search warrant was applied for. Once that was approved Ofc Collins and Ofc Strum conducted a search of the vehicle.

Inside the vehicle the officers' recovered 407 pieces of mail belong to between 134-159 victims. The victims were spread out through the cities of Bothell, Arlington, Lynnwood, Clyde Hill, Woodinville, Kenmore, Shoreline, Kirkland, Seattle and Edmonds. The investigation is continuing into this incident.

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