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St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Seizes Drugs, Cash, and Firearm Following Warrant Service in Great Mills

LEONARDTOWN, MD (February 26, 2025) – Deputies from the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division, in conjunction with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, executed search warrants on a residence and multiple vehicles in Great Mills on Wednesday, February 26, leading to the seizure of suspected cocaine and fentanyl, cash, and a loaded handgun.

During the warrant service at a residence in the 22000 block of Baja Lane, deputies recovered \$1,638 in U.S. currency and controlled dangerous substance (CDS) paraphernalia. Additional searches of vehicles yielded several tied-off bags containing approximately 45 grams of suspected cocaine, approximately 82 grams of suspected fentanyl, and a loaded, unserialized Polymer 80 9mm handgun.

Following the warrant service, Daiquan Malik Barnett, 28, of Great Mills, was taken into custody and charged with

- Two counts CDS possession with intent to distribute a controlled dangerous substance
- Two counts CDS possession of a controlled dangerous substance
- Possession of a controlled dangerous substance in an amount of 28 grams
- Possession of a firearm after being convicted of a felony
- Possession of a firearm in relation to a drug trafficking crime
- Possession of a regulated firearm after being convicted of a disqualifying crime
- Possession of a regulated firearm after having been convicted of CDS possession with intent to distribute
- Possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony
- Possession of an unserialized firearm
- Two counts of related ammunition charges

Barnett is currently incarcerated at the Detention and Rehabilitation Center in Leonardtown, where he awaits a bond hearing.

This case remains under investigation, and anyone with additional information is asked to contact Lieutenant Brian Fennessey at 301-475-4200, ext. 8063, or by email at Brian.Fennessey@stmaryscountymd.gov.

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