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### **Mercer County Narcotics Task Force Seizes \$40,000 in Heroin, Cocaine**

The Mercer County Narcotics Task Force concluded a two-month investigation this week with one arrest and the seizure \$40,000 in drugs, \$17,000 in cash, and a handgun, Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri reported.

At approximately 5:25 a.m. on Thursday, February 25, 2021, members of the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office, the Mercer County Sheriff's Office, the Hamilton Police Division, the Trenton Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration and U.S. Homeland Security Investigations, under the command of the prosecutor's Special Investigations Unit, executed a search warrant at an apartment at 113 Centre Street in Trenton. The target of the investigation, Frederick Hostick, was located in the rear bedroom and detained. A subsequent search of the apartment revealed 76 bricks of heroin, 20 grams of crack cocaine, a loaded Glock .40 caliber handgun with an extended magazine, and \$17,160 in cash.

Onofri stated that seized heroin has approximate street value of \$38,000 and the seized cocaine, approximately \$2,000.

Hostick, 37, was charged with numerous narcotic- and weapons-related offenses, and lodged at the Mercer County Correction Center pending future court proceedings.

Despite having been charged, all persons are presumed innocent until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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