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More Than \$100,000 in Drugs Seized by the Mercer County Narcotics Task Force

A monthlong investigation into cocaine distribution in Trenton culminated this week with three arrests and the seizure of \$106,500 in narcotics and \$6,151 in cash, Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri reported.

Andre Stlouis, 38, of Trenton, was arrested on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, as a result of the investigation conducted by the members of the Mercer County Narcotics Task Force, with assistance from the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Mercer County Sheriff's Office, the Hamilton Police Division and the Trenton Police Department. A motor vehicle stop of Stlouis in a black 2022 Honda Passport was conducted by detectives in the parking lot of the Riverside Apartment Complex on Riverside Drive in Trenton. During the stop, detectives interrupted an apparent narcotics transaction between Stlouis and Nichele Harris. Both Stlouis and Harris were detained without incident and one gram of crack cocaine was located on the front passenger floor of the vehicle. Further search of the vehicle revealed an additional five grams of crack cocaine, two pounds of marijuana and \$6,151 in cash.

Shortly thereafter, detectives executed a search warrant at Stlouis' residence on Sanhican Drive in Trenton, with assistance from the Mercer County Tactical Response Team. A search of the residence resulted in the seizure of 562 grams of powder cocaine, approximately half a pound of methamphetamine, 78 grams of crack cocaine and 23 pounds of marijuana.

Andre Stlouis, 38, was charged with multiple first-degree narcotics offenses and lodged in the Mercer County Correction Center. Harris, 53, of Trenton, was also charged with numerous narcotics offenses and lodged in the MCCC. Ava Stlouis, 67, of Trenton, who was at the Sanhican home at the time of the search warrant execution, was charged with narcotics offenses and released pending future court appearances.

According to Prosecutor Onofri, the combined street value of the confiscated narcotics is approximately \$106,500.

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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