



“Sheriff’s Office traffic stop leads to arrests for possession with intent to distribute narcotics”

On Wednesday, April 15th, 2026, at approximately 2:29 PM, members of the Pro-Active Community Enforcement (PACE) Team with the assistance of the Westminster Police Strategic Enforcement Unit (SEU) were conducting traffic enforcement on Baltimore Boulevard when they observed a 2019 Ford Fusion travelling Westbound that failed to make a lane change when approaching an active work zone, where several State Highway vehicles and several State employees were actively working along the shoulder of Baltimore Boulevard.

A traffic stop was initiated in the 1800 block of Baltimore Boulevard in Finksburg. While conducting the traffic stop, Deputies learned that the vehicle was a ride-share vehicle, and the driver was transporting the rear passenger from Baltimore City to a Westminster area hotel. Deputies identified the rear passenger as Maurice James Harrison, a 42-year-old male with a Baltimore City address.

A K9 scan for Controlled Dangerous Substances (CDS) was requested and resulted in a positive alert for the odor of CDS. During a search of the vehicle, deputies located a knotted baggie wound in electrical tape containing a blue/white powdery substance suspected to be Fentanyl that was concealed in the area Harrison was occupying.

Deputies arrested Harrison and conducted a search of his person. Deputies recovered a plastic baggie containing 4 knotted baggies with white rock substance suspected to be cocaine and 3 knotted baggies containing a blue powder substance, and 1 knotted baggie containing a blue and pink powder substance suspected to also be Fentanyl. The total weight of the suspected Cocaine exceeded 14 grams, and the suspected Fentanyl exceeded 37 grams for a total narcotic seizure of 1.8 ounces. The recovered items are indicative of alleged illegal narcotic distribution, and all property was secured as evidence.

Harrison was transported to Carroll County Detention Center for processing. Harrison was charged with two counts of CDS possession with intent to distribute (fentanyl and cocaine), and two counts of CDS possession - not cannabis (fentanyl and cocaine).

On April 15th, 2026, Harrison was held no bond by the District Court commissioner pending a judicial hearing. (All individuals are presumed innocent of the pending charges until proven guilty in a court of law)