



“Sheriff’s Office traffic stop leads to arrest for CDS Possession with Intent to Distribute”

Finksburg, Carroll County, Maryland; August 13, 2026 ---- On Wednesday, August 12th, 2026, at approximately 10:51 a.m., members of the Pro-Active Community Enforcement (PACE) Team, with the assistance of the Westminster Police Special Enforcement Unit (SEU), were conducting traffic enforcement on Baltimore Boulevard when they observed a Honda Odyssey van travelling westbound from Baltimore County into Carroll County. The vehicle displayed a fraudulent Maryland temporary tag, and deputies also observed traffic law and window tint violations.

Deputies stopped the vehicle in the area of Cedarhurst Road and Baltimore Boulevard. During the traffic stop, a deputy observed a Controlled Dangerous Substance in plain view inside the vehicle.

During the search of the vehicle and occupants, 36.5 grams of suspected fentanyl (53 capsules), 3.9 grams of suspected methamphetamine, 2 unprescribed buprenorphine strips, 3 cell phones, and drug paraphernalia were found and secured as evidence.

The front seat passenger was identified as Dennis Garner, a 54-year-old male from Baltimore City. Garner was arrested and transported to the Carroll County Detention Center and charged with two offenses related to the possession of and intent to distribute CDS. The driver was not charged and was released from the traffic stop.

Garner was held without bail and currently remains in custody at the Carroll County Detention Center.

(All individuals are presumed innocent of the pending charges until proven guilty in a court of law)