PRESS RELEASE

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EARLY MORNING RAID NETS DRUGS AND GUNS

Members of the Gloucester Sheriff’s Office’s Special Operations Unit assisted by Gloucester Sheriff’s Deputies and Tri-Rivers Drug Task Force members executed an early morning search warrant on November 6th in the 4100 block of Shelly Road according to Gloucester Sheriff Darrell Warren. This is the conclusion of a narcotics investigation conducted by the Tri-Rivers Drug Task Force which is comprised of members of the Gloucester, York-Poquoson, Mathews, and Middlesex Sheriff’s Offices, James City and Poquoson Police Departments, and the Virginia State Police. “We utilized our Special Operations Unit because we had reason to believe that our target inside the residence was heavily armed”, Warren said.

Donald Collins, 35 years of age, was taken into custody without incident and charged with the following:

- Possession with intent to Distribute Schedule I/II Narcotics 18.2-248
- Possession of Firearms by a Convicted Felon 18.2-308.2
- Possess Firearms while in Possession of Drugs 18.2-308.4

During the search of the residence, officers seized cocaine, heroin, marijuana, and a variety of prescription pills. The following firearms were also seized during the raid: AR-15 Assault Rifle, Pistol Grip Shotgun, Semi-Automatic handgun, and a revolver.

Sheriff Warren says “we were fortunate to get a dangerous, armed, drug dealer off of our streets without anyone being injured in the process”.

Collins is currently being held in the Gloucester County Jail without bond.