

# HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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**For Immediate Release**

On Thursday, August 21, 2025, Harrison County Sheriff Matt Haley announced the arrest of two individuals on felony drug trafficking charges following an undercover operation by the Harrison County Narcotics Task Force in the 2900 block of 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Gulfport. As a result, Yarnesia Ro'Shay McClary (25 years old) and Elton Bernard McKinzy Jr. (28 years old) both of Tallahassee, Florida were arrested on a felony charge of Trafficking a Controlled Substance, Marijuana.

On Tuesday, August 19, 2025, Harrison County Narcotics Task Force Investigators conducted an undercover operation and identified two vehicles suspected of trafficking bulk marijuana. Investigators located the vehicles at a gas station in the 2900 block of 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Gulfport and contacted the drivers, identified as Yarnesia McClary and Elton McKinzy Jr. A probable cause search of the vehicles yielded approximately 25 pounds of bulk marijuana concealed in the cargo area of an SUV and approximately \$30,000 in currency.

McClary and McKinzy Jr. were each arrested for Trafficking a Controlled Substance and transported to the Harrison County Jail held in lieu of a \$250,000.00 bond set by Harrison County Justice Court Judge Albert J. Fountain.

Approved for Release:

Matt Haley, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi