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CITIZEN TIPS HELP PLAIN CLOTHS POLICE SEIZE DRUGS

On July 14, 2008, Ocean City Police performing plain cloths patrol responded to a citizen complaint of a black Acura that was parked in a red curb in the area of 711 St. Louis Avenue. The tip advised the occupants of the car were "snorting drugs".

Plain cloths officers and uniformed patrol officers arrived in the area and located the vehicle. Investigation by OCPD uniformed and plain cloths officers recovered a scale and zip lock baggies from the center console as well as Methadone pills, Heroine, Cocaine and \$950 in cash.

The occupants of the car were arrested and identified as Melvin Leon Brunson (28) years of age, of Princess Anne, Maryland and Latesia Arianne Powell (27) years of age of Salisbury, Maryland. Both Powell and Burnson have been charged with possession of Controlled Dangerous and associated paraphernalia charges.

Burnson is currently being held at the Worcester County Jail on \$10,000 bond. Powell was released after posting a bond of \$2500.



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Quite often, citizens' hunches turn out to be valuable information to us. If you have information that you feel we should know, we encourage you to leave us e-mail. OCPD@ococcean.com