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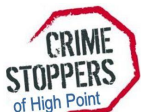
INCIDENT TYPE – Traffic Stop, Foot Chase, K9, Gun and Drug Arrests

HIGH POINT, NC – On Monday, September 11, 2023, at 9:20 p.m., a High Point Police Patrol Officer initiated a traffic stop in the 1200 block of S Main Street on a black Nissan Versa for a registration violation.

The vehicle was occupied by three individuals, **Mr. Donnell D. Adkins, (B/M, 35 of Salisbury)** **Mr. Raeqwon Turner (B/M, 20 of Salisbury)**, and a third occupant who received no charges and was released. Once the officer began speaking to the driver it was immediately apparent the odor of marijuana was coming from the interior of the vehicle. No one in the vehicle had any identification to physically give the officer. The occupants verbally gave their information to the officer. He returned to his car to verify the identity of the occupants. While doing so, the rear passenger and driver's doors opened and they (Adkins – driver and Turner – passenger) both exited. The driver ran around the front of the car while clutching something in both hands while the back passenger exited the car while holding a gun in his right hand. Due to the officer's vigilance and seeing what was occurring, he was already exiting the car, this caught Turner off-guard and he dropped the gun and ran in the other direction.

The officer gave chase to the two, however, they split up and ran in different directions and the officer lost sight of them. The officer returned to the scene where the third occupant was still in the vehicle. By this time, several officers had arrived on the scene and set up a perimeter to begin a K9 search of the area. Adkins and Turner were eventually located and arrested.

As a result of the traffic stop, a Taurus 9mm handgun (stolen), 17 dosage units of Oxycodone, .47 grams of fentanyl, and .66 grams of marijuana were seized. As a result of the K9 search, 41.61 grams of heroin (double sealed in ziplock bags) and a Centennial .22 revolver were located and seized.



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Adkins and Turner were charged with Possession of a Firearm by Felon, Trafficking Heroin, Felony Possession of Sch I, Resisting a Public Officer, Possession of Sch II, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and 1st Degree Trespass. Mr. Adkins and Mr. Turner were both given \$500,000 secured bonds and placed in the Guilford County (High Point) Jail.



Adkins (2023 booking photo)



Turner (2023 booking photo)

This directly reinforces the High Point Police Department’s Crime-Fighting model of “People, Cars, Guns, Places”. We will remain committed to making High Point a Safe city by being proactive officers through Crime-Fighting, Community Engagement, Policy, and Training.



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The High Point Police Department remains committed to crime-fighting, community engagement, training, and professional policing. We will continue to collaborate with our community members and crime-fighting partners to promote a higher quality of life. Anyone with information about violent crime or illegal activity is asked to contact Crime Stoppers of High Point at 336-889-4000 or Download the P3 mobile app for IOS or Android.

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