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## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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### **Police Seize 25 Pounds of Marijuana**

Narcotics detectives from the Howard County Police Department and members of a federal drug task force have seized more than 25 pounds of marijuana in a drug investigation.

Authorities were conducting an investigation at an apartment in the 9100 block of Bourbon Street in Laurel. Officers saw two suspects leave the residence with a large cardboard box and get into a pick-up truck. They stopped the truck and conducted a K-9 search. The search uncovered marijuana inside the box, \$14,000 in money orders and around \$750 in cash.

Police executed a search and seizure warrant at the Laurel residence and recovered a semi-automatic handgun and a rifle.

Mark David Joseph, 33, of Frederiksted, Virgin Islands and Sherrell Goring, 36, of the Bourbon Street address in Laurel each were charged with possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia and possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.

The investigation is continuing and additional charges are pending.

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