



News Release – Drug and Firearm Arrests 07/18/25

Summary:

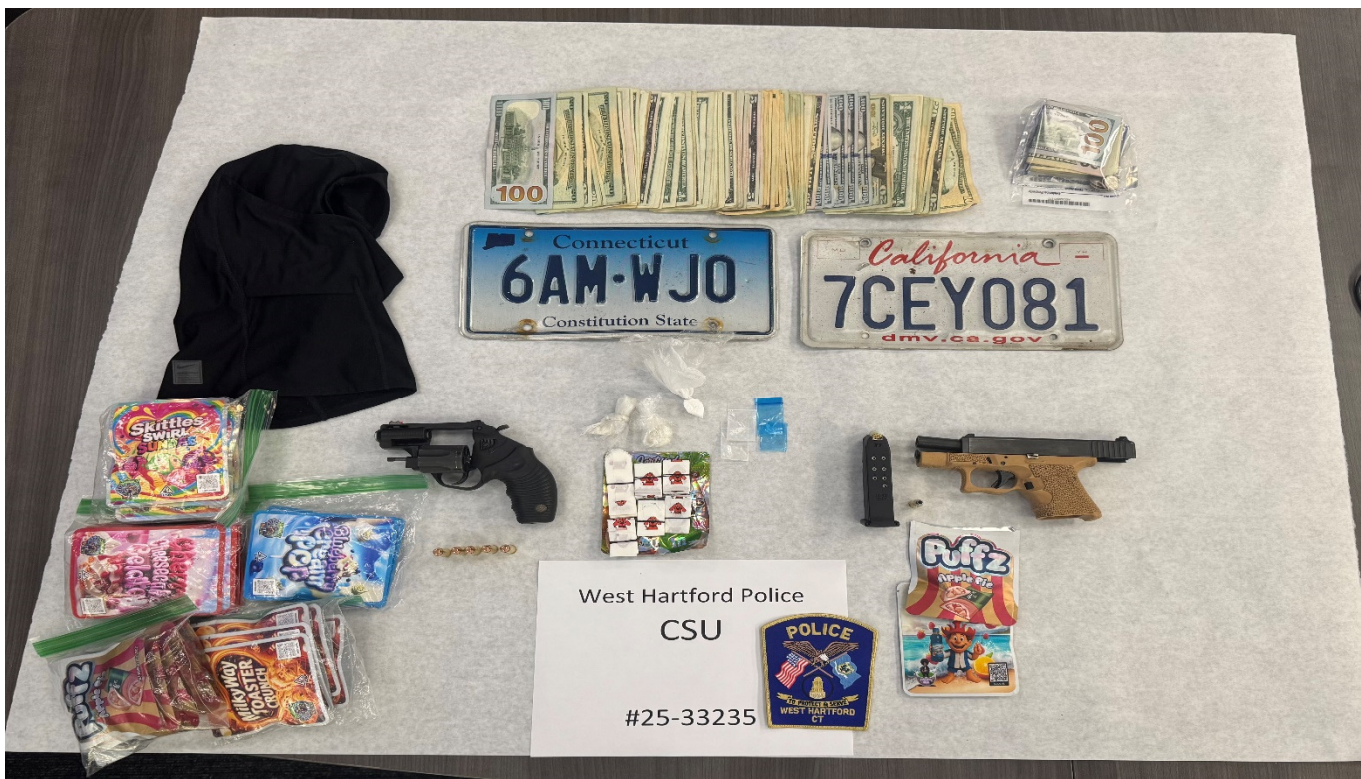
A motor vehicle refusing to stop for a West Hartford Patrol Unit a week earlier was located on 07/18/25 in West Hartford. The occupants were arrested for amongst other things, drug and gun charges.

Details:

On 07/18/25 at 12:56 PM members of West Hartford Community Services Unit were alerted by the Town's Flock / Camera System of the presence of a vehicle parked near 450 New Park Avenue in West Hartford, which fled from another West Hartford Patrol Unit who attempted motor vehicle a week earlier.

Community Support Unit members conducted an investigative stop. In the course of the stop, the following items were located:

- One loaded 3D printed 9mm "ghost gun"
- One loaded .38 revolver
- 46 bags of fentanyl
- 2.1 grams of powder cocaine
- 5.7 grams of "crack" cocaine
- 3.2 ounces of marijuana
- US currency





Grady, Michael 07/31/2003

Driver Arrested:

Grady, Michael (DOB: 07/31/2003) of Hartford

Charges:

- CGS, 53a-217(a)(1) Criminal Possession of a Firearm
- 29-38 Illegal Possession of a Weapon in a Motor Vehicle
- 29-36a(c(1)) Illegal Possession of a Firearm with No Serial Number
- 53a-167a Interfering with Police
- 53a-223a Violating a Standing Criminal Protective Order,
- 14-147(c) Misused Plates
- 14-12(a)* Operating an Unregistered Motor Vehicle,
- 14-213b Illegal Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Insurance
- 14-36(a) Operating a Motor Vehicle Without a License Passenger

Michael Grady was held on a \$350,000 bond pending his arraignment at GA#14.

Passenger Arrested:

Benitez-Singh, Joshua (DOB: 09/09/2002) of Hartford



Benitez-Singh, Joshua 09/09/2002

Charges:

- CGS, 29-38 Illegal Possession of a Weapon in a Motor Vehicle
- 29-35(a)(1) Carrying a Pistol Without a Permit
- 21a-277(a(1B+)) Possession With Intent to Sell a Hallucinogen
- 21a-279a(d)(1) Possession of a Cannabis Plant Material >1.5 Ounces

Joshua Benitez - Singh was held on a \$350,000 bond pending his arraignment at GA#14.

Nothing further will be released at this time.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to please contact the West Hartford Police Department at (860) 523-5203, or use the anonymous WHPD Tip Line/email at (860) 570-8969 / whpdtips@westhartfordct.gov.

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