



# Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Deputies Recover Weapons, Drugs, Stolen Vehicle during Traffic Stops**



Mario Keshawn Mattox Zendeziyah Hymes

Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff Richard Schmidt reiterated the Sheriff's Office policy to pursue reckless drivers and stolen vehicles. Overnight, two incidents resulted in the recovery of weapons, drugs and a stolen vehicle.

Yesterday, at 10:15 p.m., a TEU squad attempted a traffic stop on a vehicle displaying plates that did not match the vehicle near 51<sup>st</sup> Street and Hampton Avenue. The driver initially pulled over, and then fled when a deputy approached. The vehicle got away during the pursuit, and crashed with an SUV when the fleeing car ignored the stop sign at the intersection of W. Congress and 55<sup>th</sup> streets.

Two of the three occupants fled the scene. One 24-year-old male passenger was taken into custody at the scene. He was taken to the hospital by ambulance after complaining of arm pain. The occupants of the other vehicle were evaluated for non-life threatening injuries by MFD personnel.

Deputies recovered a Glock .40 caliber pistol, ammunition, one pound of marijuana, crack cocaine, heroin, digital scales and several cell phones from the vehicle.

The subject arrested at the scene faces charges of Fleeing/Eluding – PTAC, Possession with Intent to Deliver While Armed – PTAC, and a possible charge of Felon in Possession of a Firearm – PTAC. The investigation is ongoing.

This morning at 1:45 a.m., a deputy stopped a vehicle for speeding on I-41/US-45 southbound at Watertown Plank Road. A check on the registration revealed that the car was stolen out of Brookfield last week. During a search of the vehicle a fully loaded Ruger 9mm handgun was found under the front seat. Both occupants denied knowledge of the firearm or that the vehicle was stolen. The driver said he bought car for \$50 from someone he did not know.

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**Mario Keshawn Mattox, age 29, and Zendeziah Hymes, age 23, both of Milwaukee, were arrested. Mattox faces charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Operate Motor Vehicle Without Owner's Consent, punishable by up to 16 years in prison.**

**Hymes faces charges of Operate a Motor Vehicle Without Owner's Consent and Carry Concealed Weapon, punishable by up to 6 years and 9 months imprisonment.**

**Sheriff Schmidt said, "while some pursuits have ended in crashes, the criminal element must know that we will pursue them in order to make our neighborhoods safe. These reckless drivers disregard traffic lights and stop signs, putting others in grave danger. Unfortunately, motorists cannot assume a green light gives them the right of way, and must constantly look out for these reckless drivers who have no regard for human life."**

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