



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Michael Terry  
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**Re:** Traffic Stop Leads to Substantial Drug Bust, Arrest – 2022-19727

**Date:** July 5, 2022

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On 07-04-2022 at 9:32 a.m., a Hernando County Sheriff's deputy conducted a traffic stop on the driver of a vehicle who was headed north on Commercial Way.

The vehicle was observed on radar going 86 mph in a posted 55-mph zone.

Deputy W. Harsanyi conducted a traffic stop in the area of Hunters Lake Road in Spring Hill.

The deputy noted the odor of marijuana was emanating from the vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle was identified as **April Dallaire DOB/09-09-1992**.

During a search of the vehicle, deputies located two backpacks containing 33.5 grams of methamphetamine, 23.9 grams of cocaine, 369.9 grams of marijuana, 30.5 grams of Alprazolam, 16.1 grams of hashish wax, 3.2 grams of amphetamine, 3.3 grams of ecstasy, three tabs of Lysergic Acid Diethylamide (Acid) and one package of lingual Suboxone.

Various drug paraphernalia was also located in the vehicle to include hypodermic needles, pipes, scales, and multiple plastic baggies.

Deputies noted all the drugs were packaged in small amounts. Deputies also located more than \$1,800 in cash.

Dallaire was charged with **Trafficking in Methamphetamine, five counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance with the Intent to Sell, Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Sell, Possession of Hashish, Possession of Ecstasy with Intent to Sell, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.**

Dallaire was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center where she is being held in lieu of a \$34,000 bond.

**The Office of Sheriff:**

**The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.**

**Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, ran unopposed in 2016, and was re-elected in 2020. Sheriff Nienhuis remains accountable to the people of Hernando County.**