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Media Release

From: Michael Terry
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Re: Brooksville Man Charged with Trafficking in Methamphetamine -- 2024-00278778

Date: January 2, 2025

On 12-31-2024, **Tommy Nichols DOB 07-26-1972** was taken into custody following a lengthy narcotics investigation conducted by the Hernando County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit.

Earlier in the year, Hernando County Vice and Narcotics detectives received intelligence indicating that Nichols was distributing significant quantities of methamphetamine within Hernando County.

This prompted an investigation that led to purchases of trafficking amounts of methamphetamine. During the investigation, Nichols was also found in possession of 188.9 grams of methamphetamine, 15 grams of cocaine, 1.1 grams of fentanyl, Alprazolam pills, and various drug paraphernalia.

As a result of the investigation, detectives seized over 750 grams of methamphetamine, which helped to prevent these drugs from making it into the community.

Nichols was charged with multiple counts of **Trafficking in Methamphetamine, Possession of Meth with Intent to Sell, Possession of Cocaine, Use of a Two-Way Communication Device to Facilitate a Felony, Possession of Structure/Vehicle Used to Sell Drugs, Possession of a Controlled Substance without a Prescription, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.**

Nichols was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center where he is being held in lieu of a \$119,000 bond.



Tommy Nichols

Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips

If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

Hernando County Crime Stoppers can be reached by phone at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or **TIPS from a cell phone.

You may also submit your tip via the internet at <http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> .

You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!