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Media Release

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Re: Hernando County Sheriff's Office Arrest Spring Hill Man on Multiple Drug Charges – 2026-00139630

Date: April 1, 2026

On 03-27-2026, detectives with the Hernando County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit, in coordination with the Special Intelligence Unit, executed a residential search warrant at 2389 Giovanni Avenue in Spring Hill.

The search warrant was the result of a several-month-long investigation initiated following the previously conducted "Kings Fall Operation." During that operation, **Nelson Saldana DOB/11-29-1987**, was identified as an individual involved in the sale of cocaine within the Spring Hill area. Detectives subsequently conducted multiple undercover operations, during which both cocaine and marijuana were purchased directly from Saldana.

Upon execution of the search warrant, Saldana was taken into custody without incident. A search of the residence resulted in the seizure of approximately 70.1 grams of cocaine, 250.3 grams of marijuana, 6.3 grams of oxycodone hydrochloride (59 pills), and 2.1 grams of alprazolam (8 pills), along with additional drug paraphernalia.

Following a post-Miranda interview, Saldana admitted ownership of the narcotics and related items located within the residence.

Saldana was arrested and charged with **Trafficking in Cocaine, Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Sell, Possession of Oxycodone, Possession of Alprazolam, Possession of a Structure for the Trafficking of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia**. He was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center, where he was initially held without bond due to the trafficking charge.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit remains committed to identifying and arresting individuals involved in the distribution of illegal narcotics within our community.



Nelson Saldana

Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips

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