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Media Release

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On April 9, 2009 at about 7:00am members of the Winter Haven Police Emergency Response Team (ERT) and Special Investigations Division served a search warrant at 348 Palmetto Ave. NW in Winter Haven. Detectives arrested Leon "Lee" Embry III, b/m age 18, who resides at the residence.

Embry, who was armed with a loaded .45 caliber handgun as officers entered his home, was charged with multiple felonies including:

1. Armed trafficking of cocaine
2. Possession of cocaine with intent to sell within 1000 feet of a church
3. Maintaining a dwelling for production/manufacturing/growing controlled substances
4. Possession of marijuana over 20 grams
5. Manufacture and Cultivation of marijuana

As officers entered his home, Embry dropped the handgun and was safely taken into custody.

While conducting a search of Embry's residence detectives seized \$1259.00 in cash, 43.4 grams of cocaine, 156.9 grams of marijuana, 10 marijuana plants which were growing in the yard, a .45 caliber handgun, and over 100 rounds of ammunition. Detectives also seized multiple items consistent with the manufacture and sale of crack cocaine and marijuana.

See attached photo of items seized.

In accordance with Florida public records laws, redacted copies of case reports from this incident may be available to the media. Requests for reports should be made through the WHPD records division at (863) 291-5649.

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