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News Release

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Drug Arrests

Anyone with information regarding this incident(s) is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-877-903-STOP. Citizens do not have to give their names or testify and could receive up to \$2,500.

ARRESTEE:	Melton, Brittany, 26, Female
LOCATION:	101 St. Rose Avenue, St. Rose
DATE:	January 11, 2026
ITEM NO.:	2206714

CHGS: Possession of Suboxone

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office reports that Melton was the passenger in a vehicle stopped for a traffic violation. She was taken into custody for an outstanding warrant from an incident on December 22, 2022, in Luling. She was transported to the NCCC and booked accordingly.

ARRESTEE:	Joyce, Markel, 22, Male
LOCATION:	10328 River Road, St. Rose
DATE:	January 10, 2026
ITEM NO.:	2600179

CHGS: Possession of Marijuana, Illegal window tint, Security required, Headlamps for motor vehicles and motorcycles, False certificates, Display of temporary registration license plates, and a Fugitive arrest.

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office reports that deputies encountered Joyce during a traffic stop. While speaking with Joyce, deputies smelled the odor of marijuana. During a search of the vehicle, deputies located THC edibles. Joyce was taken into custody and transported to the NCCC, where he was booked accordingly.

ARRESTEE:	Salmon, Christopher, 42, Male
LOCATION:	LA 48 @ Charlestowne Drive, St. Rose
DATE:	January 11, 2026
ITEM NO.:	2600192
CHGS: Possession of Fentanyl, Possession of Cocaine less than 28 grams, and Possession or distribution of drug paraphernalia	
The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office reports that while speaking with Salmon about a theft investigation, deputies located illicit narcotics. He was booked accordingly.	

ARRESTEE:	Madjitov, Batir, 47, Male
LOCATION:	521 Almedia Avenue, St. Rose
DATE:	January 11, 2026
ITEM NO.:	2600182
CHGS: Possession of Crack Cocaine less than 28 grams, Possession or distribution of drug paraphernalia, and Taking contraband to/from penal institutions-prohibited, and a Fugitive arrest.	
The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office reports that Madjitov was a passenger in a vehicle stopped for a traffic offense. Deputies took Madjitov into custody for a fugitive warrant. During a search of him and his belongings, deputies located drug paraphernalia. He was transported to the NCCC. During the booking process, corrections deputies located narcotics in his clothing. He was booked accordingly.	