



# LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **Community Complaints and Tips Lead LCSO Detectives to Weapon, Drugs and Arrests**

The Leon County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit concluded a two-month-long investigation into the sale and distribution of illegal substances at a residence on Joe Louis Street. The investigation began in January, following multiple anonymous tips submitted through Big Bend Crime Stoppers, complaints from concerned community members, and other intelligence gathered about possible drug activity.

As part of the ongoing investigation, LCSO Narcotics and Vice detectives, assisted by members from the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) program, executed a search warrant on Thursday, March 24, at a residence in the 1200 block of Joe Louis Street.

During the search, investigators seized approximately 88 grams of Alpha-PVP, packaged for sale, in addition to a loaded Springfield Armory 9mm handgun with an extended magazine, and approximately \$6,300 in cash.

Two people were located inside the home and arrested as a result of the items seized, 29-year-old Xavier Gibson and 52-year-old Vanessa Farmer. They were both transported to the Leon County Detention Facility.

The investigation is active and ongoing. Anyone with information about illegal drug activity is encouraged to call the Leon County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics unit at 850-606-3400. You may also call Crime Stoppers at 850-574-TIPS or download the P3 app on your mobile device to report a tip. All calls are anonymous, and you can earn a cash reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to an arrest.

**NAME:** XAVIER GIBSON

**DOB:** 03/09/1994

**CHARGES:**

- DRUGS-TRAFFIC PHENETHYLAMINES 10 GRAMS OR MORE
- EVIDENCE-DESTROYING ALTER DESTROY CONCEAL REMO  
REC DOC PHYS EVIDEN
- PUBLIC ORDER CRIMES KEEP PUB NUISANCE STRUCTURE  
FOR DRUG ACTIVITY
- RESISTING OFFICER WITHOUT VIOLENCE
- SYNTH NARCOTIC-SELL SCHEDULE I OR II (2 Counts)
- WEAPON OFFENSE - COMMIT 2ND DEGREE FELONY W/  
WEAPON

**NAME:** VANESSA FARMER

**DOB:** 05/28/1970

**CHARGES:**

- POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE



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