



Ft. Pierce Police Department News Release



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Fort Pierce Police seize quarter of a million dollars in cocaine

FORT PIERCE – During a joint investigation, 5.1 pounds of cocaine with a street value of \$250,000 was seized and one man was arrested.

Marvin Coote, 29, of 510 Texas Court apartment A in Fort Pierce, was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine with the intent to sell and trafficking cocaine following a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) led investigation. He was transported to the St. Lucie County Jail without incident.



At about 1:15 p.m., Fort Pierce Police Department detectives working in conjunction with agents from the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, made a controlled delivery of the cocaine to Coote's address. Coote accepted the package upon delivery.

The team of investigators arrested Coote and seized the narcotics, which were originally sent from Guyana, South America.

Sergeant Don Christman said, "This is a rather large drug seizure which will drastically impact the supply of drugs in Fort Pierce. A major drug supplier is off the streets."

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