



# Weapons/Narcotics Arrest



Darel Edwards



On 2/24/22 detectives from the Middletown Police Street Crime Unit were conducting surveillance in the area of Rapallo Avenue due to an ongoing narcotics investigation. Detectives observed Darel Edwards (44 years old) of Norwalk, and another individual conducting hand to hand drugs transactions out of Edwards' vehicle. Upon detectives approaching Edwards' vehicle he fled from police engaging in a short pursuit before pulling into a driveway on Pearl Street and fleeing his vehicle on foot. After exiting the vehicle Edwards discarded a Dan Wesson Wraith 9mm handgun loaded with five rounds of live ammunition which was recovered by officers. Edwards was located by patrol officers a short distance away and placed under arrest. As subsequent search of his vehicle revealed 68 bags of fentanyl, 25.2 grams of marijuana, and an amount of US currency.

Edwards, a convicted felon currently on parole, was charged with Criminal possession of a firearm, Possession of a controlled substance, Possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell, Engaging in pursuit, Reckless driving, and Interfering with an officer. He was held on a \$500,000 dollar surety bond and issued a court date of 2/25/22 at G.A.9. Edwards' DOC parole officer was contacted about the arrest and he was remanded to custody.