

# Troopers Arrest Subject on Drug Charges Following Traffic Stop

Delaware State Police have arrested 32-year-old **Pedro Villanueva Frias** of Wilmington, DE on felony drug charges following a traffic stop in the Wilmington area on Wednesday afternoon.

On June 1, 2022, at approximately 4:30 p.m., troopers on patrol observed a white Chevrolet Impala parked at the Acme grocery store located at 1308 Centreville Road. Troopers witnessed a hand-to-hand transaction occur between the operator of the Impala and another subject in the parking lot. The Impala then departed from the area and a traffic stop was initiated on Old Capitol Trail. Contact was made with the operator, identified as Pedro Villanueva Frias, and suspected cocaine was observed in plain view. Villanueva Frias was taken into custody at the scene without incident, and a subsequent search of the vehicle resulted in the discovery of approximately 5.3 grams of cocaine, approximately 4 grams of heroin, and over \$850 in suspected drug proceeds.

Villanueva Frias was transported to Troop 6 and charged with the following crimes:

- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance in a Tier 2 Quantity (Felony)
- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (Felony)
- Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Tier 2 Quantity (Felony)
- Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Tier 1 Quantity (Felony)

Villanueva Frias was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court #

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