

Lenoir Trio Arrested in Drug Sweep

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Tuesday just after 5:30 pm, the Lenoir Police Department Narcotics Unit and their Special Response Team, aided by the Caldwell County Sheriff's Office SWAT Team, executed a search warrant at 304 Hillside Street in Lenoir. Inside the residence, officers say they located and seized .2 grams of crack cocaine, 8 dosage units of Hydrocodone, and 5 grams of Marijuana, drugs valued at \$400.00. Also seized inside was \$372.00 in cash. Kim Antwon Walton, 46, and 37-year old Gerard Andre Caldwell, both listing 304 Hillside as their address, were charged with Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell or Distribute Cocaine, Maintaining a Dwelling for Keeping a Controlled Substance, and the Manufacture of Cocaine, Walton also charged with Possession of Marijuana. Each was set \$75,000 bond. Melissa Hope Watson, 26, was found inside the residence and was arrested on an outstanding warrant from Burke County for Failure to Appear on a Drug Possession charge. She was set a \$3000 bond. Lenoir Police said these arrests came as a direct result of community complaints and several months of investigation.