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Street Value of Cocaine Seized: About \$500,000

Gastonia Police Vice/Narcotics Officers have seized five kilograms of cocaine with a street value of about \$500,000.

The seizure resulted from an undercover operation in Gwinnett County, Ga., on Nov. 19 which targeted a suspect from McAllen, Texas, who has been conspiring with suspects in the Gastonia area to distribute both cocaine and marijuana throughout the region. Also seized were \$5,000 in cash and two vehicles.

Two suspects were arrested without incident, but police cannot release their names as the investigation conducted by Gastonia, Gwinnett County and U.S. Customs is ongoing. More arrests are expected in North Carolina and possibly Texas.

“The members of the Gastonia Vice/Narcotics unit would like to express their appreciation for the professional manner in which the Gwinnett County Police handled the operation,” said Gastonia Sgt. Steve Norris.

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