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Joint Task Force Arrests Bank Robber

A joint task force of federal, state and local law enforcement officers arrested Antwione Townsend this morning at 913 Lindsey Street in Jackson. Townsend is one of three suspects accused of robbing the Trustmark bank on State Street on October 11, 2006. Information was developed by investigators that led agents to the Lindsey Street address, where Townsend was taken into custody without incident. After his arrest, Townsend was transported to the Jackson Police Department for questioning and processing.

The task force consisted of U. S. Marshals, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Hinds County Sheriffs Department, the Jackson Police Department, Mississippi Department of Corrections, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) , Madison County Sheriffs Department, and the Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General.

“This arrest once again highlights the excellent cooperation among the federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in the metro Jackson area” stated Nehemiah Flowers, Jr., United States Marshal for the Southern District of Mississippi. “It is this cooperation among all law enforcement agencies that will make our communities safer and our criminal justice system stronger.”

Requests for additional information concerning the crime and for photographs may be addressed to the Jackson Police Department Public Information Office.

Last year, U.S. Marshals and their task force partners arrested more than 27,000 state and local fugitives on felony charges. Additionally, six U. S. Marshals led regional fugitive task forces provide investigative and logistical support in the pursuit of violent or narcotics related fugitives.

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