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Re: Search Warrant – 26201 Whipperwill Street

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On 06-08-15, detectives with the Hernando County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit executed a search warrant at 26201 Whipperwill Street in Brooksville.

Detectives were alerted to the residence due to suspicion of power diversion.

Investigation revealed a marijuana grow operation occurring within the residence.

Upon arrival, detectives found the home to be uninhabited. The residence was being used only to grow marijuana.

The following items were seized from the residence:

- 26 marijuana plants (all being between 5 and 6 feet tall)
- 97.25 pounds of marijuana plant material
- Various items of cultivation equipment.

The investigation continues.

The Office of Sheriff:

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, and remains accountable to them.