



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Denise M. Moloney  
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**Re:** Vice and Narcotics Search Warrant - 9039 Horizon Drive

**Date:** November 20, 2017

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On 11-17-2017, detectives with the Hernando County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit, along with members of the S.W.A.T. team, executed a narcotics search warrant at 9039 Horizon Drive in Spring Hill. During the execution of the search warrant, deputies with the Pasco County Sheriff's Office assisted with the capture of the suspect, Alonzo Bell.

The search warrant and arrest warrants are a result of a lengthy investigation on the Horizon Drive location by Vice and Narcotics detectives. During the investigation, an undercover detective purchased cocaine from Bell on several occasions.

As a result of the search warrant and arrest of Bell, detectives located just under an ounce of cocaine, marijuana, paraphernalia and a synthetic substance that will be sent to FDLE for testing.

Bell has an extensive drug arrest history and before this search warrant in Hernando County, Bell was the subject of search warrants in both Pasco and Volusia counties related to the sale of illegal narcotics.

**Alonzo Bell B/M DOB/09-08-1979** is currently being held on a total bond of \$82,000 for the below charges listed below:

- Sale of Cocaine (5 counts)
- Possession of Cocaine (6 counts)
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (5 counts)
- Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communication Device (5 counts)
- Possession of a Conveyance for the Sale of Drugs (4 counts).

### **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.**