



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**Re:** Update #1 – Situation Resolved – Barricaded Subject – Embassy Avenue,  
Spring Hill

**Date:** October 21, 2020

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#### Update #1

On 10-21-2020 at 12:57 a.m., after more than 12 hours of negotiations, the barricaded subject incident on Embassy Avenue in Spring Hill ended in a deputy-involved shooting.

The subject was pronounced deceased by medical personnel at the scene. No one else was injured in the shooting incident.

As is standard procedure the Florida Department of Law Enforcement has been called in to investigate the deputy-involved shooting.

The area in and around Embassy Avenue and Tarrytown Drive remains closed to traffic until the investigation is complete.

No additional details are available at this time.

#### Original information

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office is currently on the scene of a **Barricaded Subject** in the area of Embassy Avenue and Tarrytown Drive in Spring Hill.

Deputies were called to the scene at 12:20 p.m. following a domestic-related incident.

The area in and around Embassy Avenue and Tarrytown Drive remains closed to traffic at this time.

Those who live on or near the area are asked to remain indoors if they have not been evacuated.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office Crisis Response Team is on scene at this time. Additional information will be provided when available.

**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, ran unopposed in 2016, and was re-elected in 2020. Sheriff Nienhuis remains accountable to the people of Hernando County.