



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Michael Terry  
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**Re:** HCSO Investigates Homicide in South Brooksville

**Date:** February 4, 2021

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On 02-03-2021 at 8 p.m., Hernando County Sheriff's Office 911 dispatchers received calls from residents on Twigg Street in South Brooksville in reference to a shooting.

Deputies responded to 823 Twigg Street where they located one individual deceased from an apparent gunshot wound. Another victim was already en route via a private vehicle to an area hospital with a non-life-threatening gunshot wound.

Deputies also found a 13-month-old child with an abrasion to the torso area that appeared to be the result of being grazed by a bullet.

Detectives and members of the HCSO Forensic Unit responded to investigate and process the scene.

No additional details are available at this time as the investigation remains fluid.

Anyone with information regarding the shooting is asked to call the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 352-754-6830. If you would like to remain anonymous and be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$5,000, please call Hernando County Crime Stoppers at 1-866-990-8477 (TIPS).

**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.