

# Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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## Media Release

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Re: Update # 1 - Detectives Conducting Death Investigation in North Brooksville -

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#### Update #1

Preliminary investigation reveals, circumstances surrounding the death are suspicious. Detectives are working closely with officials from the Medical Examiner's Office to obtain the cause and manner of death.

The deceased, an adult male, is not being named at this time due to Marsy's Law.

Detectives and Forensic Specialists worked well into the night conducting interviews and collecting physical evidence.

Detectives are currently still conducting interviews and executing search warrants.

When available, additional information will be provided via media release.

#### Original Information – 04-25-22

On 04-25-22 at approximately 11 a.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies responded to a parcel of land in northern Brooksville regarding a Suspicious Incident. The caller reported seeing a possible "body" on the parcel of land.

Upon arrival, deputies located a deceased male.

An investigation is underway to determine the cause of death.

Detectives are currently conducting interviews and processing search warrants to collect physical evidence.

There is no additional information available at this time. The 9-1-1 call will not be available until the investigation has been completed.

When additional information is available, we will provide an update via media release.

### 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.