

## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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# <u>Media Release</u>

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Re: Detectives Investigate Shooting in South Brooksville - 2022-22546

Date: August 1, 2022

On 07-31-2022 just after 12:30 a.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the area of Armstrong Street and Ellington Avenue in South Brooksville, in regards to a possible Shooting.

When patrol deputies arrived on scene, they observed a large gathering of people near the intersection. Moments later, deputies located the victim, an adult male, in a field on the southwest side of the intersection.

The victim, who was suffering from one gunshot wound, was transported to a local trauma center by Hernando County Fire and Emergency Services.

Detectives spoke with several individuals who were in the area at the time of the shooting and were able to gather some leads, including the name of a possible suspect. As always, all leads will be investigated thoroughly.

Physicians classified the victim's injuries as non-life threatening.

Detectives continue to follow-up on leads and physical evidence collected from the scene.

There is no additional information available at this time.

### Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips

If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

Hernando County Crime Stoppers can be reached by phone at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or \*\*TIPS from a cell phone.

You may also submit your tip via the internet at <u>http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com</u>.

## You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!

#### 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.