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Re: Spring Hill Man Arrested For Burglary – 2024-00129324

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On 04-08-2024, the Hernando County Sheriff's Office communications center received report of a burglary in progress at a residence on Montcalm Road in Spring Hill.

A homeowner observed an unknown white male, later identified as **Charles Anthony Richardson**, inside his fenced backyard. After being confronted by the resident, Richardson jumped over a fence and fled onto a neighboring property.

Moments later, prior to deputies arriving on scene, Richardson returned to the same residence on Montcalm Road, and was observed attempting to gain access to two vehicles parked in the driveway but was unsuccessful. Richardson then proceeded to enter the open garage door. A resident inside the home witnessed this and was able to lock the door, which led from the garage to the interior of the home, just as Richardson began turning the door knob attempting to open the door.

When Richardson was unable to get inside the house, he then fled the area a second time.

An HCSO K-9 unit then arrived on scene and began preparing to track Richardson's path when the HCSO dispatchers received another call from a different residence on Sedgefield Avenue stating a man matching Richardson's description was in her back yard attempting to break into her shed. Richardson again fled after being confronted by the homeowner.

Additional units arrived at the residence on Sedgefield Avenue and were able to quickly locate Richardson, placing him in custody without incident.

Charles Anthony Richardson DOB 01-14-1980, was placed under arrest and charged with the following:

- Attempted Burglary of Occupied Dwelling
- Attempted Burglary of Conveyance (2 counts)
- Attempted Burglary of Unoccupied Structure

Richardson was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center where he is being held on a \$50,000 bond.



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 http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com.

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