



Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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Media Release

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Re: Detention Deputy, Nurse Render Aid to Inmate in Distress

Date: September 21, 2022

On 09-15-2022 at 11:35 a.m., a detention deputy in the Medical Unit at the Hernando County Detention Center noticed an inmate standing in the back of his cell.

Another deputy approached the cell and indicated the inmate was attempting to commit self-harm.

The deputy and a nurse took immediate action to render aid to the inmate. Deputies were able to assist the male inmate back to his bunk to sit. Deputies noted the inmate was conscious and alert.

After being evaluated by medical staff at the detention center the inmate was transported to a local hospital for further treatment.

The inmate is expected to make a full recovery.

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.