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Media Release

From: Jessica Burns
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Re: Sexual Offender Arrested for Failure to Adhere to Reporting Requirements &
Possession of Cocaine – 2026- 00180899

Date: April 28, 2026

On 04-21-2026, **Miguel Angel Perez DOB/12-29-2001**, was arrested on charges of **Failure to Report Change of Phone Number within 48 Hours, Failure to Report Internet Identifier/Email (5 counts), Possession of Cocaine, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.**

Perez was adjudicated guilty in 2025, in Hernando County, for **Lewd or Lascivious Conduct, Victim Under 16 Years of Age, Offender 18 Years of Age or Older.** This conviction designated Perez as a Sexual Offender in the State of Florida with registration requirements.

On 04-21-2026, Detective Marcacci, with the assistance of Parole & Probation, conducted a probation search. Perez's probation condition requires him to wear a GPS ankle monitor and to submit to random probation searches, to include any electronic device in his possession without a search warrant needed.

During the search of Perez's phone, it was observed Perez was actively using an unreported cellular phone number and multiple unreported social media accounts. These accounts had not been reported to his probation officer or updated on his Florida Department of Law Enforcement Sexual Offender and Predator System (SOPS) profile, as required by Florida law.

As a result of the investigation, Detective Marcacci placed Perez under arrest for the following Sexual Offender reporting violations:

- **Failure to Report Change of Phone Number Within 48 Hours**
- **Five (5) counts of Failure to Report Internet Identifiers Within 48 Hours**

Upon a search incident to arrest by Detective Marcacci, Perez was also found to be in possession of approximately 3.5 grams of cocaine and a digital scale. He was additionally charged with:

- **Possession of Cocaine**

- **Possession of Drug Paraphernalia**

Perez was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center, where he is being held without bond.



Miguel Perez

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!