



Rick Staly, Sheriff

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# NEWS RELEASE

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### **Two Car Burglaries and Two Attempted Burglaries Solved and a Stolen Vehicle Recovered after Deputies Discover Suspect with Stolen Property**

In the early morning hours on Tuesday, deputies located a vehicle that had been reported stolen by the Daytona Beach Police Department backed into a parking space at 16 Kingswood Drive in Palm Coast. The driver was still in the vehicle. Deputies made contact with the driver and he identified himself as Timothy Warren Smith, DOB 1/16/1959.

Smith told deputies that he got the vehicle from an unknown male on a street corner in Daytona. He did not know the male or his name, and stated he obtains vehicles frequently in this manner. Smith had a brown checkbook wallet in his back pocket that contained a driver's license belonging to Timothy Hanna. Hanna was contacted by deputies and stated that his wallet and ID card were stolen from his vehicle overnight.



Smith being interviewed by deputies early Tuesday morning.

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Within a fanny pack located on Smith's waist, a driver's license, three debit cards, and two credit cards were located belonging to Patrick Shanahan. Deputies made contact with Shanahan who stated these items were stolen from his vehicle overnight. A new LG cellphone, purchased from Walmart with one of Shanahan's stolen credit cards, was also located with Smith.

"We may never know why he chose Flagler County to commit his crimes but I am glad that our deputies were able to locate him and get him off our streets before he could prey on even more victims," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "We continually push the #9PMroutine on our social media sites, which is a reminder for residents to lock their doors to their vehicles and homes at night to help prevent themselves from becoming a victim. While we hope that people would not try to take things that don't belong to them, you can help prevent crime and protect yourself by keeping your valuables secure and keeping your doors locked."

Smith was arrested and charged with five counts of Unlawful Possession of a Stolen Credit Card, two counts of Unauthorized Possession of a Driver's License, Grand Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card, and Driving with a Suspended License.

Smith was booked into the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility where he is being held without bond. While at the jail, deputies were made aware of two vehicle burglary attempts on Butternut Drive in Palm Coast that were captured on video surveillance. Deputies were able to positively identify Smith as the suspect in those cases. Smith was subsequently charged with two counts of Attempted Burglary.

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