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Sexual Offender Living Within 250 feet of a Park **Arrested – 2nd Sex Offender Arrested in Three Days** **Sheriff's Office Cracks Down on Sex Offenders Failing to Register**

On July 4, 2019, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) responded to the area of Thunder Gulch Campground, where sexual offender Trevor Anthony Brandon (DOB 6/1/1987) told authorities he had been living to verify his address. Deputies were unable to locate him.

Detectives with the FCSO Major Case Unit began to conduct surveillance on the subject and found him staying at his mother's residence at 908 Magnolia Terrace in Flagler Beach, approximately 250 feet from a Flagler Beach city park. Sex offenders living within 1,000 feet of a park are prohibited under Florida law. During the investigation detectives were able to obtain approximately two weeks of surveillance showing that he was staying at the Flagler Beach residence virtually every night.



Booking photo from September 17, 2019.

On September 17, the Major Case Unit obtained an arrest warrant for Brandon. FCSO Detectives coordinated with the Flagler Beach Police Department (FBPD) to take this sex offender into custody.

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FCSO deputies and FBPD police officers made contact with Brandon at his mother's residence. Brandon initially lied to investigators and claimed that he was only visiting his mother's residence to take a shower. When presented with evidence to the contrary, Brandon admitted that he had not been living at the Thunder Gulch Campground that he registered as his address.

Brandon was taken into custody and charged with Failure to Properly Register as a Sex Offender. He was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility by the Flagler Beach Police Department where he is being held on a \$50,000.00 bond.

"Let it be known to any sex offenders living in Flagler County that you must comply with the regulations of your probation or release from prison. You will get a visit from our deputies and a ride to the Green Roof Inn if you are not in compliance with the law," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "We will do everything we can to keep our community and children safe from sex offenders and predators."

Sexual offenders often lie to law enforcement about where they are residing when registering as a sex offender. Registering is required by Florida law for convicted sex offenders. For example, on Monday, Andre Watkins was arrested for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender after he was found to be living in a residence that ran a daycare business. On August 30, Christopher Raymond was arrested for Failure to Register after a recent traffic stop revealed that he was living at an address other than the one registered. And, on June 21, Jeremy Dwayne Miller was arrested on the same charges after deputies discovered he had been living across from a church for over a year.

The FCSO takes these cases seriously and will continue to monitor the addresses of all sexual offenders in the county. These laws are designed to protect children from becoming victims and allow law enforcement to know where sexual offenders are living to ensure compliance.

If you have information on any sexual offenders or predators not in compliance, contact the Sheriff's Office at 386-313-4911 to file a report or email tips to TIPS@flaglersheriff.com. To remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-888-277-TIPS (8477). You could be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000.00.

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