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FCSO Arrests Stolen Vehicle Suspect after being on the Run for 34 hours

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) was alerted to a stolen vehicle from Eustis that was traveling in Flagler County around 2:30 a.m. on Wednesday morning. Deputies located the suspect and stolen vehicle as he was getting fuel at the Shell station on Boulder Rock Drive. FCSCO attempted a traffic stop on the vehicle on I-95 but the vehicle failed to stop and fled at a high rate of speed. The Bunnell Police Department (BPD) was notified when the vehicle entered the City of Bunnell. BPD was able to successfully deploy stop sticks to puncture the vehicle's tires. The vehicle became disabled at which time a black male wearing a white shirt, pants, black shoes, and gloves fled on foot into the wood line.



The stolen vehicle (center) after the suspect ran into the woods.

A perimeter was set up however the suspect was unable to be located. The suspect's clothing was found in the woods and the suspect was reported to be seen wearing only boxer shorts. A "Be On The

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Lookout” (BOLO) was issued to neighboring agencies and the description of the suspect was shared on FCSO’s social media networks. Sightings of the suspect were reported on State Road 11 around 11 a.m. on Wednesday. Again a perimeter was established by law enforcement but the suspect continued to evade arrest. The suspect was in a very dense wooded area making it very difficult to track and air support from nearby agencies was not available because of weather.

On Thursday afternoon just after 1 p.m., a resident contacted 9-1-1 and reported a man wearing only boxer shorts was walking towards State Road 11 towards Cody’s Corner. FCSO responded and located the suspect in the woods and identified him as 25-year-old Anthony J. Mobley Jr. (DOB 5/20/1994) and took him into custody.



Mobley’s booking photo.

“If you steal a vehicle and need gas, Flagler County isn’t the right place to stop,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “This guy was on the run from us for over 34 hours but we knew with the community’s help and good police work we would find him. Now he has a room at the Green Roof Inn. If he’d checked in sooner, he might not be so tired. This is another example of the community seeing something and saying something. Thank you to the community for calling in tips and to our deputies for not giving up until he was in jail.”

Mobley was charged with Resisting an Officer without Violence and Violation of Probation. He was booked into the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility where he is being held on no bond.

Mobley had active warrants from Volusia County but had no prior arrest history in Flagler County. Additional charges are pending further investigation.

Video of the apprehension can be viewed here:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1o_uXiF7lsVFFtDDiAz3-JnURWzB5ULdJ

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