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NEWS RELEASE

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UPDATE: Fugitive Wanted for Shooting at Occupied Vehicle Arrested in Volusia County

A subject wanted for opening fire on an occupied vehicle on US 1 in southern Flagler County on January 12, 2020 was located on Wednesday, February 19, in Volusia County and taken into custody. 27-year-old De'Vantell Rashaun Cooper (DOB 6/17/1992) had an active Flagler County warrant for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Shooting into an Occupied Vehicle.



Cooper at the time of arrest.

Through investigative means, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Problem Area Crime Enforcement (P.A.C.E.) Unit learned that Cooper may be staying at an apartment complex in Daytona Beach, Florida. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), the Daytona Beach Police Department (DBPD) and their SWAT team made contact with Cooper at the apartment complex and took him into custody.

"Thankfully this dangerous offender is off the streets and behind bars where he belongs," Sheriff Rick Staly said following the arrest. "We appreciate our partnership with the FDLE and the DBPD and their assistance in this arrest. He will soon be in the Green Roof Inn where he can't hurt anyone and I hope he quickly makes his way to prison."

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Cooper will be booked at the Volusia County Branch Jail and will be extradited to Flagler County.

Original News Release below.

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Fugitive Wanted for Shooting at Occupied Vehicle

On January 12th, 2020, a citizen reported that a suspect, later identified as 27-year-old De’Vantell Rashaun Cooper (DOB 6/17/1992), opened fire on an occupied vehicle on US 1 in southern Flagler County.



December 2019 booking photo of Cooper.

Through various investigative means, Detective Rodriguez of the Major Case Unit was able to quickly establish probable cause for an arrest warrant, which was signed by the Honorable Judge Perkins. Due to the fact that De’Vantell Cooper was already out on bond on a narcotics sale charges, that bond has been revoked as well.

“This is a dangerous individual who needs to be taken off the streets as soon as possible,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “Anyone with information on his whereabouts is encouraged to call the Sheriff’s Office or CrimeStoppers as soon as possible.”

De’Vantell Cooper is being charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Shooting into an Occupied Vehicle. The warrant allows for nationwide extradition.

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De’Vantell Cooper is well known to authorities in Flagler County. He has been arrested numerous times for narcotics, burglaries, fleeing or eluding, and firearms charges. De’Vantell Cooper should be considered armed and dangerous and should not be approached.

If anyone has any information on his whereabouts, please call the Flagler County Sheriff’s Office at 386-313-4911. To remain anonymous, call Crimestoppers at 1-888-277-TIPS (8477). Information leading to the capture of this violent felon could lead to a cash reward up to \$5,000.00.

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