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Sheriff's PACE Unit Uses Technology and Investigative Means to Solve Car Burglary

On March 24, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Problem Area Crime Enforcement Unit (PACE) members were following up on a vehicle burglary that occurred on March 21 at 9 Veranda Way in Palm Coast.



Pictured Above: James Holloway

The victim advised that he was notified by his Discover credit card of several suspicious transactions that occurred on March 21, 2020 at Wal-Mart, RaceTrac and multiple declined cash advances at various local banks.

On March 24, FCSO responded to the Palm Coast Wal-Mart where loss prevention officers provided deputies with video footage of a suspect, later identified as 28-year-old James Holloway, purchasing items with the victim's stolen credit card.

In the footage, Holloway could be seen completing two separate purchases with the victim's stolen credit card. One purchase for \$216.57 and another totaling at \$191.08. FCSO deputies then made

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contact with management at the RaceTrac and reviewed their video surveillance. On the footage, deputies observed Holloway making a \$7.58 purchase with the same stolen credit card.

On March 25, members of PACE located a transient camp in the wood line at the I-95 Northbound off ramp. Deputies spoke to transients at the camp and showed them a picture of the surveillance footage from Wal-Mart and RaceTrac and they identified the suspect as James Holloway.



Pictured Above: Drug Paraphernalia and weapons located inside Holloways backpack and on his person.

A short time later, FCSO located a male matching Holloway’s description and positively identified him by his driver’s license. When questioned about the transactions, Holloway admitted that he did conduct the transactions and that he did steal a credit card and a book from the victim’s vehicle.

Upon searching Holloway’s backpack, deputies located a brown wallet with 5 credit cards belonging to the victim, and several items that were purchased with the victim’s credit card including a machete and slingshot. A search of Holloway found two glass pipes and methamphetamine. Holloway was then placed under arrest.

“Good police work and technology came together to solve this crime,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “This is a guy who doesn’t think he has to work and will just steal to get whatever he wants. Thanks to some great investigative work by our deputies and surveillance footage, we were able to return the stolen property back to the victim and get more poison off of our streets. This is exactly why we created the PACE Unit.”

Holloway was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility. He is charged with Burglary of a Conveyance, 7 counts of Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card, Possession of Methamphetamine, Theft of a Credit Card, Petit Theft, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, and Criminal Mischief. He is being held on a \$12,000 bond.

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