



Rick Staly, Sheriff

FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Multi-Agency Task Force Dismantles Heroin Ring

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office assisted the Volusia County Bureau of Investigations with a takedown of a drug ring that crossed multiple jurisdictions.

The Volusia County Sheriff's Office identified a drug ring in November of 2016. Investigative efforts led to eight search warrants that were executed on Friday, October 27. Two search warrants executed in Flagler County yielded the arrest of Shykeem Thomas, arrested for a Volusia County warrant for Conspiracy to Traffic Heroin over 28 grams or more, Conspiracy to Traffic Cocaine 28 grams or more, and unlawful use of a two way communication device. Thomas waived extradition from Flagler County and requested that he be booked into the Volusia County Jail. This arrest by Flagler deputies resulted in the Special Investigations Unit obtaining evidence for a search warrant at 11 Burton Place, Palm Coast.

Flagler County search warrants seized 2 ounces of heroin at 15 Brian Lane and 6.6 ounces of heroin and 3.6 ounces of fentanyl from 11 Burton Place in Palm Coast. Paraphernalia and packaging materials used to distribute illegal drugs were also recovered at the Burton Place address.

"VCSO and FCSO, along with other local agencies, are teaming up to get drug dealers out of our counties," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "We will not sit back and watch this epidemic continue while poison peddlers kill people. We're coming after you."



Sheriff Staly at the press conference Friday afternoon.

Sheriff Staly, Sheriff Chitwood, and local police chiefs were present at a press conference late Friday afternoon regarding this case. A recording of the press conference can be found on FCSO's social media accounts at: <https://www.facebook.com/flaglercounty.sheriffsoffice/> & <https://twitter.com/FlaglerSheriff>

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