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North Carolina Fugitive from Justice Arrested in Palm Coast on Warrants for Sex Offenses Involving Child

BUNNELL, Fla. — The Flagler County Sheriff's Office has arrested a fugitive from justice who was wanted in North Carolina with multiple arrest warrants for 16 sex offenses involving a minor victim.

On Oct. 8, the FCSO Fugitive Unit was contacted by the Iredell County Sheriff's Office in North Carolina, who advised they had reason to believe that a fugitive wanted in their jurisdiction was possibly residing in Flagler County. The suspect, Luis Sosa, 50, had three active arrest warrants with nationwide extradition for two counts of human trafficking of a child victim, two counts of taking indecent liberties with children, seven counts of sexual activity by a substitute parent or custodian, and five counts of sex offenses by a person in a parental role.

Through investigative means, Fugitive Unit deputies and Problem Area Crime Enforcement Unit detectives located Sosa while he was walking his dog near his residence on Lynton Place in Palm Coast. They quickly apprehended and arrested Sosa without incident.

"Just a few weeks ago we had a case where a pervert committed some terrible crimes against a child in Flagler County and was found in North Carolina, and now we have the opposite where this guy was wanted for some awful crimes in North Carolina and was trying to hide here," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "In the North Carolina case, the local magistrate let him out on a very low bond and required we get a Governor's Warrant. Now they want someone that's in Flagler County and hopefully we are educating North Carolina on how fugitives should be handled. He's being held on NO BOND pending his extradition to North Carolina. Fugitives beware; you can't hide in Flagler County because law

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enforcement agencies across the country work together to track you down so you will be held accountable for your crimes."





Photo 1: Deputies arrest Luis Sosa after locating him in Palm Coast on Oct. 8, 2025.

Photo 2: Luis Sosa (Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility mug shot)

Sosa was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where he is being held without bond while awaiting extradition to North Carolina. Sosa's dog was turned over to Palm Coast Animal Control.

View body camera footage from Sosa's arrest.

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