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Popeyes Employee Arrested for Credit Card Fraud

BUNNELL, Fla. — On April 11, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office General Assignment Unit and Problem Area Crime Enforcement arrested Chaniqua Richberg, 48, of Palm Coast, for fraudulently charging a customer's credit card while working the drive-thru at Popeyes in Palm Coast.

On March 20, the victim reported witnessing Richberg tapping her credit card twice: once for her drive-thru order then again to a cell phone. Later that day, the victim found an unauthorized charge of \$311.90 on her account and reported it to law enforcement.

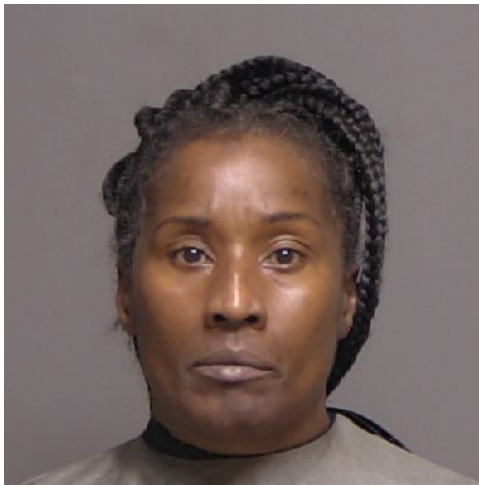
During the investigation, detectives determined the fraudulent transaction was for a commissary payment to an inmate at Apalachee Correctional Institution, West Unit, in Sneads, Florida.

"This woman thought she could get away with stealing from a customer and giving money to a state prison inmate," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "But unlucky for her, the customer was paying attention and noticed the fraudulent charge, so now Richberg gets to join her friend in jail! I encourage everyone to be attentive during transactions and report anything suspicious to law enforcement."

General Assignment and PACE Unit detectives located Richberg working at Popeyes and arrested her for Fraudulent Use of Personal ID Information, Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card (Greater than \$100), and Unlawful Use of Two-Way Communications Device. She was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where she was later released on a \$7,500 bond.

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Chaniqua Richberg (Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility mugshot)

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