

## FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## FCSO Rounds Up Two Fugitives and Burglar on Tuesday

**PALM COAST, FL** – Tuesday, April 16 was an active day for Flagler County Sheriff's Office deputies. Within five hours deputies rounded up two fugitives and arrested a burglar and convicted felon who broke into a home while he was on probation.

Tuesday began when Master Deputy Yeoman went to a residence on Bulldog Lane in Palm Coast to serve an arrest warrant on Jayquan McCaskell, 31. McCaskell had been a fugitive since June 2023 from Volusia County for Domestic Battery by Strangulation. He was arrested on the warrant and was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility without incident. He is currently being held without bond.

McCaskell has an extensive criminal history in Flagler County with seven arrests since 2018 for charges ranging from Domestic Battery to the sale of Heroin.



Jayquan McCaskell, Flagler County Jail Mugshot

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About two hours later, deputies responded to a residence on Underwick Path in Palm Coast after dispatchers received a 9-1-1 call from a woman stating her boyfriend had struck her in the face.

The victim identified her boyfriend as Nathaniel Morris, 65. A fugitive check in state and local databases determined Morris had an active warrant from Greary County Sheriff's Office in Junction City, Kansas. The warrant was issued in March of 2023 for multiple offenses including Domestic Battery, Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol, Fleeing or Attempting to Elude and several traffic infractions.

Deputies located Morris inside the residence, but he refused all commands to come out for several minutes. Additional deputies and a K9 unit responded and were able to negotiate with him from a window until Morris finally opened the front door. He was arrested for domestic battery that occurred locally and for being a Fugitive from Justice. He was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility and is currently being held without bond.

For bodycam of the arrest: <a href="https://bit.ly/3Jp0iwy">https://bit.ly/3Jp0iwy</a>



Nathaniel Morris, Flagler County Jail Mugshot

Then at approximately 1:40 p.m. Deputy Prentiss responded to a Palm Coast residence on Red Mill Drive to investigate a residential alarm.

Upon her arrival, she observed a white Chevrolet Silverado in the driveway. No one responded to a knock at the door and except for the burglar alarm going off, the home appeared to be empty. When Deputy Prentiss checked the back of the home she found a man, later identified as Dexter Edwards, 47, sitting on a cooler inside the screened-in lanai. Edwards had recently been released from the Bradford

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County Jail after serving 10 months following a felony conviction of a weapons charge and Damaging Property/Criminal Mischief. He was currently on probation for shooting or throwing an object into a vehicle or building and was living with his family at a residence directly behind the home on Red Mill Dr. at the time of the incident.

After speaking with Edwards and reviewing the evidence, Deputy Prentiss determined that Edwards had shattered the back glass door to gain entry and had taken some of his belongings inside the home. Edwards was arrested for Burglary of a Dwelling – Unoccupied Unarmed, Criminal Mischief More than \$200 Less than \$1000, and for an On-Site Felony Violation of Probation. He was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility where he is currently being held without bond.



Dexter Edwards, Flagler County Jail Mugshot

"Yesterday's events are just a snapshot of what our hardworking deputies, dispatchers and detectives deal with on a daily basis to keep our community safe," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "In a matter of hours, deputies arrested two fugitives who like to attack women and put another career criminal back behind bars. Even with one refusing to obey commands, they used their tactical training and expertise to deescalate the situation and bring the fugitive in safely without incident. More fugitives learned the hard way they shouldn't have come to Flagler County as wanted persons!"

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