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LCSO Arrests One in Stolen Vehicle with Handgun

On September 12, 2020, LCSO deputies and analysts with the LCSO Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) were alerted to the location of a stolen vehicle in the area of Highway 90 and Geddie Road. The black Chevrolet Malibu was stolen as a result of a home invasion in Jacksonville, Florida. Deputies attempted to make contact with the vehicle and the driver, 51-year-old William Randall, at a business in the 5800 block of West Tennessee Street. When deputies attempted to make contact with Randall inside the vehicle, he drove out of the parking lot at a high rate of speed.

Deputies later recovered the vehicle, unoccupied, in the area of Dreamers Lane and Summer Breeze Drive. During the investigation, deputies learned Randall exited the vehicle and hitched a ride to the Kearney Center. Deputies responded to the center and immediately identified Randall standing on the sidewalk. Deputies also learned Randall threw a backpack, he was carrying, into the trash located in the driveway area of the center. Deputies located the backpack which contained a loaded Glock handgun, 22 ammunition rounds, and a Florida driver's license for William Larell Randall.

Randall told deputies the key to the vehicle was in a separate trash can, to which deputies later recovered. Randall also stated he bought the car from someone and the handgun did not belong to him, but he placed it in the backpack when he exited the vehicle. The handgun and stolen vehicle were seized on scene.

Randall was confirmed to be a convicted felon.

Randall was arrested and transported to the Leon County Detention Facility.



ARRESTED: William Randall

DOB: 5/20/1969

CHARGES: Flee or Elude Police

Grand Theft Motor Vehicle

Possession of Weapon or Ammo by Felon (23 counts)





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