

MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RICHARD A. RAMSAY, SHERIFF

Date: June 27, 2025 To: Marathon City Council From: Lt. Benjamin Elmore RE: Monroe County Sheriff's Office Monthly Report April 2025

Dear Council,

Enclosed is the District 4/5 May Monthly Report. In May the total call volume was lower, but activity increased over April in several categories across the board.

In the month of May the district conducted 759 traffic stops, issuing 379 traffic citations, 54 physical arrests including 15 DUI arrests, 108 field intel reports, and 29 resource citations. Additionally, the district continued its commitment to community involvement through event participation and clean-up efforts.

In May, the Criminal Investigations Unit saw Detective Torres transfer out of the unit and Sgt. Askins returned after a temporary assignment in major crimes. Imalay Diaz was selected to fill the vacant position and is transferring in June. In May the unit had 5 new cases assigned, including a shots fired call, a stabbing, and a marine theft case. Ongoing investigations included numerous fraud and theft cases. The unit also continued to work on complex financial crimes involving multi-state fraud and high-dollar identity theft schemes. The unit ended the month with a 31% clearance rate.

There was a shooting on Sombrero Blvd. n Marathon in May which damaged three patrol cars after Deputies were dispatched to a criminal mischief call and were fired upon by a male on the roof of a building. This led to a large response where it was ultimately determined that the shooter had taken his own life. This event has reminded us that even the simplest call can go sideways quickly, and we are thankful none of our Deputies were injured.

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District 4 May 2025 Monthly Report



Crime/Arrest Highlights:

MCSO25OFF003190 9 Sombrero Blvd. Deputies responded to a report of a male throwing bottles at cars. On arrival shots were heard in the area. Male on the roof of the location fired on and struck 3 patrol cars with a rifle. A perimeter was established, and SWAT was called along with air support from Miami Dade. It was determined that the male, identified as Duane Day, had shot himself on the roof of the building.

MCSO25OFF003379 Long Key Bridge. Subj on a vessel reported being shot at by subjects fishing on the bridge. A shell casing was located near two people fishing who had a handgun in their possession. Subjects consented to a search of their belongings and vehicle, magazine and ammunition were not located during that search. Victim did not want to press charges.

MCSO25OFF003510 Community Park. Deputies stopped Enrique Rodriguez who was subsequently arrested for DUI. Upon the male's arrest the female passenger, Jasmine Portillo, began to interfere and became violent. Jasmine was subsequently tased and both subjects were taken to jail.

MCSO25OFF003563 Long Key Bridge. Deputy Guerra contacted a male fishing who was found to be in possession of a deceased Goliath Grouper. Manuel Gonzalez Abril of Opa Locka, FL issued criminal citation.

MCSO25OFF003591 S. end Channel 5 Bridge. Deputy Guerra contacted a subject who was found to be in possession of undersized, out-of-season, speared lobster. Josue Morera of Miami issued a criminal citation.

Training:



Sgt. Askins and Sgt. Slough taught red dot and rifle classes in May



Sgt. O'Neill and Sgt. Slough taught building searches to the CPA!

Community Involvement:



Painting out Graffiti and helping a disabled resident cross the road.







Bus stop clean up

Graffiti removal

Tour of MCSO boat!



20th Street cleanup!

Personnel and Budget:

We have one pending vacancy in patrol.

No budget concerns to report.

Respectfully,

Lieutenant Benjamin Elmore

Station Commander

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