



**MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ROBERT L. CROWDER, SHERIFF**

Detectives Conducting Investigation – Shooting

April 20, 2011—Detectives with the Martin County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division are conducting an investigation into the report of a shooting in the Banner Lake area of Hobe Sound.

Deputies responded to the area adjacent to the park on Lantana Avenue at approximately 5:55 p.m. Martin County Fire Rescue transported the victim, a 22 year old black male, to St. Mary's with life threatening injuries (reported single gunshot wound to the back).

Witnesses reported an altercation occurred between the victim and two white males and stated that after the shooting the two males fled in an unknown direction of travel. A vehicle description was provided and based upon that information Deputies located the vehicle moments later traveling Northbound on Interstate 95. The vehicle was occupied by two white males who were taken into custody without incident and are currently being interviewed by Detectives. At this time, Detectives believe this shooting to be narcotics-related. Charges are pending.

Detectives are working to obtain a search warrant regarding the contents of the vehicle, a 1995 green Ford Ranger. The vehicle has been transported to the Sheriff's Office. At this time no weapon has been recovered.

Victim information is not being released at this time. I do not anticipate the release of any additional information this evening.

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