



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

DEPUTIES RECOVER 1,110 LBS. OF CANNABIS IN VEHICLE

October 19, 2011—Martin County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Detectives are conducting an investigation regarding the discovery of 1,110 lbs. of cannabis located in a rental vehicle.

At approximately 7:00 p.m. on October 18, 2011, a deputy sheriff on routine patrol in Indiantown noticed a white male standing outside a cargo van parked in the roadway on Warfield Blvd. The Deputy spoke with the white male who indicated he was leaving the vehicle to go obtain assistance for the van's mechanical failure. The white male then left the immediate area. The vehicle was left unoccupied and in a parked position on the roadway during inclement weather and was causing a traffic hazard. The deputy, as a matter of standard practice, called for a tow vehicle to remove the van from the roadway and a vehicle inventory was conducted. Twelve boxes containing a total of 1,110 lbs. of cannabis were located in the van. The contents of the van were seized. Preliminary investigation has revealed the van was a rental. The white male was subsequently identified by deputies and was not the lessee of the vehicle. The street value of the cannabis is estimated at \$1,110,000. This is a continuing investigation and no arrests have been made.

Detectives are asking that anyone with information regarding this incident contact Sgt. John Budensiek at 772 220-7160. No further details regarding this investigation are available at this time.

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