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UPDATE – FedEx Driver Linked to Multiple New Child Abuse Victims July 19, 2021

Over the past several days, Violent Crimes Unit detectives have continued to investigate Mr. Negrete's history and actions. A combination of community reports and investigative work showed Mr. Negrete has at least four additional child victims. Mr. Negrete contacted all of those children during his work as a FedEx driver. Several of those children are still unidentified.

Mr. Negrete has delivered for FedEx for approximately one year, and his routes included southwest Portland, Beaverton, Aloha, and Tigard. Detectives are renewing their request to have parents in those areas speak with their children. Anyone with information can call the Sheriff's Office 24/7 at 503-846-2700.

Mr. Negrete is expected to face additional charges as the investigation continues. On July 19, 2021, a Washington County judge increased his bail to \$250,000, and he remains in jail.

Deputies Arrest FedEx Driver for Trying to Sexually Assault a Child July 16, 2021

On Friday, July 16, 2021, at 1:09 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a report of an attempted sexual assault of a child in Aloha, part of the <u>Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District</u> (ESPD).

A parent told deputies that a 9-year-old girl had been playing outside her home in the 4000 block of SW 160th Ave. The child said a FedEx driver made a delivery at a neighboring home and then offered her candy. The driver then tried to sexually assault the girl, who was able to get away and tell her parent what happened. She was also able to provide a description of the suspect.

Deputies went to the home to speak with the parent and child while other deputies searched the area for the FedEx truck. Detectives from the Sheriff's Office Violent Crimes Unit also assisted with the investigation. While looking for the suspect, deputies contacted FedEx, which immediately provided its full help to find the involved driver.

Deputies found the FedEx truck and driver in the 18300 block of SW Shaw St. The driver was identified as 24-year-old Alejandro Negrete of Portland.

Mr. Negrete was arrested for attempted sexual abuse in the first degree and attempted sodomy in the first degree. He was lodged at the Washington County Jail, where his bail was set at \$20,000.



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Deputies learned there is at least one other person who Mr. Negrete sexually assaulted, however that incident did not occur while Mr. Negrete was delivering for FedEx.

Mr. Negrete's regular FedEx routes covered the Aloha and Tigard areas, on all seven days of the week. Detectives are concerned there may be more victims and are asking anyone with additional information to call the Sheriff's Office at 503-846-2700.

The Sheriff's Office wishes to thank FedEx for their immediate and full cooperation, which was crucial in helping deputies locating Mr. Negrete quickly.

Detectives assigned to the <u>Violent Crimes Unit</u> are called upon to investigate serious violent crimes such as homicides, suspicious deaths, sexual assaults, kidnappings, robberies, extortion, serious assaults, elder abuse, and missing persons.

The Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District (ESPD) provides law enforcement services for more than 215,000 residents in the urban areas outside of cities in Washington County, including Bethany, Cedar Mill, Cedar Hills, Aloha, Reedville, Garden Home, Metzger, Rock Creek, Raleigh Hills, Bull Mountain, Bonny Slope, West Slope, Oak Hills, and more. Voters first approved the ESPD in 1987 and all local option levies since then.

