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Citizen Advisory

Since late June of this year, the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office has been investigating a series of reported incidents involving a white male who exposes himself to women along the Legacy Trail, near McIntosh Road and the Central Sarasota Parkway in Sarasota.

The most recent reports have occurred in or around the subdivisions of Plaza de Flores and Bella Vellino. There have been nine reported incidents where females have observed a male subject who covers his face with some item of clothing and exposes himself to the victims.

The hours of occurrence have varied, but most recently have been between 9-10 p.m. The general description is a white male between 25-35 years of age, approximately 5'9", with an average to athletic build.

Since the time of the original report, Sheriff's Detectives have conducted plain-clothes surveillance, handed out fliers to residents and increased directed patrol in the area. Crime Prevention Deputies have also been communicating with local residents and community groups.

Citizens are asked to report any suspicious activity or possibly related suspects to Criminal Investigations at 861-4900 or leave an anonymous tip with Crime Stoppers by calling 941-366-TIPS (8477), online at www.sarasotacrimestoppers.com or via text message by texting TIP109 plus a message to CRIMES (274637).