



UPDATE- Suspect Identified in Discount Store Theft Investigation

PONCHATOULA (February 19, 2026)- Thanks to tips from the public, one of the suspects in several recent discount store thefts in the Ponchatoula area has been identified.

Duane Anderson, 33, is wanted on Felony Theft charges in connection with several theft cases at the Dollar General store in the 20000 block of Highway 190 in the Ponchatoula area involving stolen cleaning supplies. Anderson works alongside a second suspect described as a white female with red hair.

Through the investigation, it was learned these same suspects are wanted by Ponchatoula Police for the same crimes at the Dollar General store on Highway 22. In all of the cases, the suspects were traveling in a red sedan with Louisiana license plate 161 JOK.

Sheriff Gerald Sticker encourages anyone with information about where Anderson can be located, or information about the second suspect, to contact Det. Earl McFarland at 985-514-8181 or 985-351-8942.

If you'd prefer to share information anonymously, you can do so through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa's tip line at 1-800-554-5245 or visit www.tangicrimestoppers.com and click on the P3 Tips icon or Submit A Tip!

You may be eligible for a cash reward.

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