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Alert Leon County Jail Correctional Officer Prevents Inmate Suicide

Today at approximately 3:30PM, Leon County Jail Correctional Officer William Lord was conducting visual checks on inmates assigned to general population housing area "Pod H". During this visual inspection, Officer Lord discovered an 18yoa inmate who had used a bed sheet in an attempt to hang himself in his cell. Officer Lord intervened, removed the bed sheet from the inmate's neck and began first aid. Initially the inmate was unresponsive but soon began to recover. The inmate was transported to a local emergency room to be examined by a doctor, but is expected to make a quick and full recovery.

Sheriff Larry Campbell said "Officer Lord is commended for his attention to duty and quick response, which prevented this inmate from taking his own life. Officer Lord's actions are a reflection of the high professional standards demonstrated by Leon County Sheriff's Office employees and our commitment to serving the citizens of Leon County."

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