

Florida Man Helps Deputies Tackle Escaped Suspect Outside Hospital

Longwood, Florida Apr 13, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Summary:

Ricky Pyne, a Central Florida man and professional poker player, is being recognized for his heroic actions after assisting law enforcement in subduing a violent escaped suspect outside South Seminole Hospital.

A dramatic scene unfolded outside South Seminole Hospital when a suspect escaped custody and violently attacked deputies. Thankfully, a bystander stepped in to help—an everyday citizen who took bold action when it counted.

Ricky Pyne, a professional poker player from Central Florida, witnessed the suspect breaking free of handcuffs, biting a deputy, and attempting to seize a taser. Without hesitation, Pyne ran in and helped deputies bring the suspect under control.

“I just saw people in danger and knew I couldn’t stand by,” said Pyne. “It wasn’t about being brave—it was just about doing what was right.”

Footage of the incident and coverage by [FOX 35 Orlando](https://www.fox35orlando.com) show Pyne assisting law enforcement officers in subduing the suspect, Pedro Rivera, who now faces 18 charges.

Pyne is available for interviews and is speaking out to encourage others to help one another and act when their community is at risk.

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