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PCSO AUTO THEFT ARREST

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – On Friday, June 24th, 2022, Putnam County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Lauren Danielle Wangler, 22, of Gainesboro, TN for Auto Theft. Deputies initially responded in reference to a stolen vehicle in the area of Lakeland Drive near City Lake. The victim's work truck had been parked in their driveway, unlocked, with keys and wallet inside. The victim had cameras installed around the property which enabled law enforcement to identify the suspect as Wangler.

Later, it was reported that the victim's bank had stopped an attempt to use a bank card that was in the wallet from transferring money to a cash app.

PCSO Deputies located Wangler walking on East Spring Street, and after some questioning, she revealed the location of the truck, and was subsequently taken into custody.

Sheriff Eddie Farris stated, "We in Law Enforcement are doing our job in constantly going after the bad guys. However, you, the citizens, can help us by doing a few, simple things that will aide Law Enforcement and even reduce many of the theft crimes we are seeing. Be sure to lock your car doors and take your keys out of your car even when your car is parked in your driveway, lock your homes, lock your sheds, and side buildings, be sure garage doors are closed – even if you're at home, remove all valuables from your cars, and be sure to secure all firearms in a safe place.

"As your Sheriff, I encourage you to take care of your property and want to remind everyone that you always have the right to protect yourself and your family from harm and those who would threaten to do harm to you and your family."

Wangler's bond was set at \$5,000.

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