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Daytona North Woman Faces Four Child Neglect Charges

The house on Clove Avenue in Daytona North was filled with roaches, animal feces and several animals with no food or water when Flagler County Sheriff's deputies were called there in July. Tuesday evening, a woman was arrested on a warrant charging her with child neglect after she allowed her four children to live in the filth.

Jamie Miller, 31, is also charged with five counts of animal cruelty in connection with the case that began when her landlord called authorities to complain about the deplorable conditions and animals left in the home. The Florida Department of Children and Families was contacted by deputies.

Flagler County Sheriff's deputies responded to what originally came in as an animal complaint on July 23. The deputy responded and reported finding several animals inside the residence without food or water. He described the inside of the home as having "filthy living conditions and an infestation of roaches too numerous to mention." A large amount of animal feces was found throughout the house, deputies said.

After an investigation, Sheriff's detectives determined Miller and her four children had been living in the home for at least a year. Miller told deputies that her children "mostly stayed" with her mother, but that all of them slept in the home.

Detectives reported that Miller said she was unable to afford to care for the animals and did not know how to relinquish custody of them. Deputies reported finding a female dog and puppies and a female cat with kittens along with several reptiles in the home. Animal Control responded to the scene.

"This was an avoidable situation. There are services out there for families who are struggling, just like this single mother. I would encourage anyone who is in this situation or knows anyone in this situation, to call us before things get to this point," said Flagler County Sheriff Donald W. Fleming. "No child should have to live like this." Miller was released from the Flagler County Inmate Facility Wednesday morning after posting \$1,000 bond on the charges.



Jamie Miller







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