

# Lake County Sheriff's Office

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Beach Park Man Charged After Firing Handgun in Parking Lot**

On December 16, 2022, at approximately 7:45 p.m., Lake County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the 39000 block of Sheridan Road, Beach Park, for a report of shots fired. While responding, sheriff's telecommunicators obtained a description of a man who fired a gun in a parking lot. The responding deputies located a man, Jerardo Rios, 41, of the 9900 block of West Oak Forest Drive, Beach Park, who matched the description.

Further investigation revealed Rios was in possession of a semi-automatic pistol. Rios indicated he was in an argument with a roommate. He said his roommate left the residence on foot, and he decided to follow him in his vehicle. While following him he fired two rounds, one into the air, and one into the ground. Nobody was struck by the gunfire.

The Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved the charge of Reckless Discharge of a Firearm.

Rios remains held in the Lake County Jail on \$50,000.00 bail. He is next due in court on December 21, 2022 at 9:00AM.

All defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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