

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF RAND HENDERSON

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### MCTXSheriff Investigates Possible “Chop Shop”

On January 28, 2019, Detectives with Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Auto Theft Task Force were called to assist the Splendora Police Department on a “chop shop” investigation in the 25200 block of Pinewood Drive Splendora, Texas. Upon arrival at the residence, Detectives learned that the owner of the property was renting out a building on the property to a male when the owner noticed several vehicles coming in and out of the building. When Detectives arrived, they observed several car parts on the property. During the investigation, Detectives discovered that several of the car parts were reported stolen from College Station Police Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and the Houston Police Department. The stolen property was recovered and at this time, the investigation is still active. This is a great example of how law enforcement agencies working together can become force multipliers to solve crime and bring those responsible to justice.

The Montgomery County Auto Theft Task Force is a cooperative multi-agency task force which consists of law enforcement agencies from, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Walker County Sheriff's Office and the Grimes County Sheriff's Office, with an eight county coverage area. Participating agencies recognized that a special collaborative effort was necessary to better combat vehicle crimes throughout the coverage area.

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