



## Yuma County Sheriff's Office

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## Sexual Abuse Arrest

**Location of Incident:** 4400 Block of E. County 10<sup>th</sup> Street – Yuma, AZ

On Tuesday August 2, 2022 at approximately 1:11 PM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of sexual offenses involving a juvenile, one of which took place in the 4400 Block of E. County 10<sup>th</sup> Street.

The investigation revealed **Franklin Sharples**, 34, of Yuma, AZ, had committed sexual offenses against the juvenile. The offenses were reported to have taken place approximately two years ago when the juvenile was 9 years of age.

Yuma County Sheriff's Office Investigators arrested and booked Sharples into the Yuma County Detention Center for Molestation of a Child.

This case remains under investigation at this time. Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at [www.yumacountysheriff.org](http://www.yumacountysheriff.org) to submit an anonymous tip.

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*Franklin Sharples*