

Wanted Hiawatha man in custody

(KNZA)--A Hiawatha man who had been sought by Brown County authorities is in custody.

Brown County Sheriff John Merchant says 39-year-old Charles Barrand was taken into custody Tuesday afternoon by the Sheriff's Department and booked into the Brown County Jail.

Details regarding his arrest were not immediately available.

Barrand was arrested on a Kansas Department of Corrections warrant. In addition, Merchant says he faces charges of felony obstruction, criminal threat, domestic battery, violation of a protection order, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Barrand is also a suspect in recent criminal activity in Hiawatha.

He fled on foot late Sunday morning in the vicinity of West Ninth in Horton when officers attempted to locate him.

Searches were launched by ground and air in that part of Horton by multiple agencies, but he was not located at that time.

The Sheriff's Department issued a request for the public's assistance in locating Barrand.

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