

Wanted man has 6-hour standoff with MJP

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A Primm Springs man had a six hour standoff with the Mt. Juliet Police Department Saturday.

Brian Crafton, 33, was wanted for felony probation violations by the Metro-Nashville Police Department. A Mt. Juliet Police officer spotted Crafton on the 6000 block of Meadowview Drive around 4 p.m. Saturday afternoon. Crafton saw the officer and quickly barricaded himself inside the home, which was where his ex-wife and two children lived. They were safely removed from the home, and six other homes in the surrounding area were evacuated as a safety precaution. Crafton would not respond to the Crisis Negotiators, so Mt. Juliet's Special Response Team deployed gas canisters to force him out of the home. Crafton was found trying to exit the crawl space and taken into custody around 10 p.m.

"I'm thankful that our officers were able to successfully apprehend Mr. Crafton," said Mt. Juliet Police Chief James Hambrick. "Officers were diligent and worked hard to make a successful arrest."

Crafton was on probation for Aggravated Assault with a Weapon, and has a dangerous criminal past according to a Mt. Juliet Police Department press release. Crafton was arrested and booked into the Wilson County jail. He was charged with Reckless Endangerment and Resisting Arrest. He will be eventually be transferred to Metro-Nashville to face three felony probation violation charges.