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## Restitution Center Resident Leaves Jobsite in Employer's Van

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Jackson – Greenwood Restitution Center resident Celestino Lopez #M7949 left his job site this morning in his employer's van. Resident Lopez was working in Indianola for Cook's Lawn Service when he left in a 1985 tan Ford van, owned by the lawn service.

Authorities are searching for Lopez, a 30-year old Hispanic male with brown eyes, black hair and weighs 128 pounds. Lopez was serving an 3-year probation sentence for vehicle theft in Desoto county.

Lopez was last seen driving east on Hwy. 82 and is not considered to be dangerous. Anyone with any information or sightings of Lopez should contact local law enforcement.

### **Description of Escapee:**

Celestino Lopez  
MDOC #M7949  
Hispanic Male  
5'0"  
128 lbs.  
Brown eyes  
Black hair

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