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Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - Nov. 3, 2023



This week, I had the opportunity to recognize nine heroic law enforcement officers and service members with our Back the Blue Award for rescuing a distressed senior lost at sea. It was an honor to surprise them with the awards at the Citrus County Sheriff's Office Annual Protecting Seniors Law Enforcement Summit. These heroic public servants from the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, Florida Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Coast Guard risked their lives to rescue the senior in very dangerous conditions.

After spotting a boater in distress, the U.S. Coast Guard called CCSO to report a 16-foot aluminum vessel stranded roughly 15 miles off the shore in the Gulf of Mexico. In a quick and collaborate effort, CCSO and FWC officers responded to the scene, rescued and returned the senior to shore. A tornado struck the area shortly after the rescue—which could have been disastrous to any boater that remained in the water.

In Florida, we are dedicated to protecting our older citizens, and these officers and service members proved that in this daring rescue. Since we launched the Back the Blue campaign, we have issued more than 50 awards to those going above and beyond to forge positive relationships between law enforcement and local communities.

To learn more about our Back the Blue program, or to nominate someone for the award, click here.

By doing all we can to protect seniors, and honoring law enforcement officers who demonstrate extraordinary service, we are building a Stronger, Safer Florida.



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VIDEO: AG Moody, FDLE And FLHSMV Urge Floridians to Report Suspicious Activity Following Heightened Terrorist Threat Due to Hamas Attacks



Attorney General Ashley Moody, along with law enforcement partners, announced the conclusion of a racketeering investigation, Operation On the Fence, that focused on a large retail theft criminal enterprise operating in South Florida.

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Attorney General Ashley Moody announced the arrest of a Florida dentist, and her husband, a co-owner of a dental practice.

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Events

This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody joined Polk County Sheriff's Office to announce the largest fentanyl bust operation in the county's history.



Attorney General Moody speaking at the Citrus County Sheriff’s Office Annual Protecting Seniors Law Enforcement Summit in Lecanto.



Attorney General Moody with members of the Citrus County Sheriff’s Office, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission and U.S. Coast Guard, who received the Attorney General's Back the Blue Awards.


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Our Vision:

Attorney General Moody addressing the media in Boynton Beach following a law enforcement security briefing about the increased level of terrorist threats.

