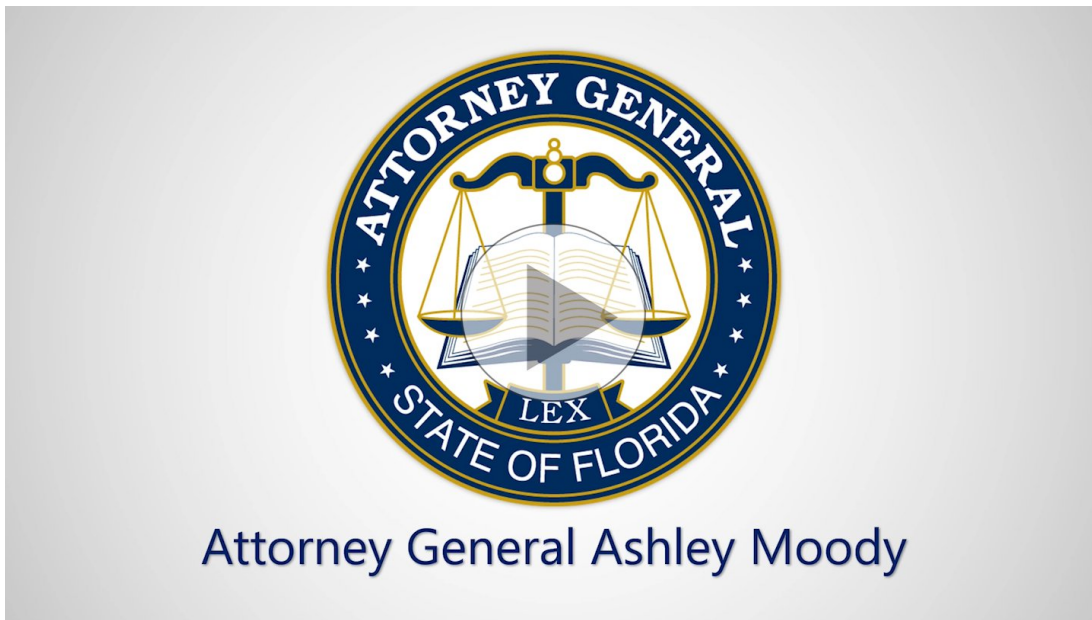


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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Oct. 28, 2022



As Halloween approaches, I am warning parents about the dangers posed by rainbow fentanyl. This week, I visited the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office and met with law enforcement and parents who lost children to this deadly drug. Law enforcement nationwide is seizing bright-colored fentanyl that resembles candy—some of these deadly drugs are even being found in toy and candy boxes. Fentanyl is a highly lethal synthetic opioid and just two milligrams can be fatal—extreme caution must be taken. Even the [DEA is warning parents about rainbow fentanyl](#) after recently seizing [12,000 pills in popular candy packages at the Los Angeles airport](#). Additionally, DEA has seized approximately [15,000 colored-pills in Nerds and Skittles candy packages](#), and another approximately [15,000 rainbow pills in Lego toy boxes](#)—all within the last month.

While cases of dangerous substances in trick-or-treat baskets may be rare, parents SHOULD ALWAYS inspect Halloween treats before allowing children to enjoy the sweets.

To help keep your kids safe: throw away any candy that is already open or that appears to be tampered with; make sure children remain in eyesight of you or other

adults in the group; and teach trick-or-treaters how to call 911 in case of an emergency.

To those who plan to celebrate at parties, I urge you to not use illicit substances. Just one pill laced with fentanyl can kill.

By being vigilant and joining our fight against fentanyl, you can help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ashley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'A'.

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Protecting Floridians

AG Moody's Statewide Prosecutors and HCSO Shut Down Sex Trafficking Ring, Arresting Two Traffickers and Rescuing Eight Women



Attorney General Ashley Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution is charging two defendants with multiple counts of human trafficking. An investigation by Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office revealed a human smuggling and trafficking operation running in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties by Amet Maqueira De La Cal and Rosalia Leonard Garcia. Maqueira De La Cal smuggled in eight women into the United States, forcing the victims into sex trafficking to repay a huge debt under threat of violence.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "These horrific acts of sex trafficking are among the most depraved crimes we have seen in a long time and highlight how criminals are taking advantage of Biden's open border to advance their illicit trade. I applaud the swift, courageous actions of Sheriff Chronister's deputies and ensure my Statewide Prosecutors will hold the traffickers accountable in court for what they did to these eight women." [Read More](#)

Attorney General Moody Files Brief in SCOTUS in Support of the Deportation of Criminals in the U.S. Illegally



Attorney General Ashley Moody filed a brief in the U.S. Supreme Court opposing the Biden administration's unlawful immigration policies. The brief supports the respondents in *United States v. Texas*, arguing that Congress, and not the Executive, establishes immigration policy and that a Biden administration policy allowing criminals to remain in the U.S. violates federal law. Congress mandated that the Department of Homeland Security should arrest and detain certain criminals here illegally, yet under the Biden Administration, DHS has failed to do so.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Biden's refusal to enforce federal immigration laws passed by Congress is jeopardizing public safety, and as Attorney General I will continue to fight in court to force this administration to do its job and protect the American people." [Read More](#)

ONE PILL CAN KILL: Enough Fentanyl Seized in Past Few Months to Kill the Entire Population of Florida



Attorney General Ashley Moody is announcing, that in just the past few months, authorities have seized enough fentanyl that could kill the entire population of Florida. This announcement is following an 11-pound drug bust by the Polk County Sheriff's Office, a record-breaking seizure for the agency. This terrible news comes as Attorney General Moody continues to fight in court to force Biden to secure the border and stop the influx of this deadly drug.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "This is terrible news, and I am afraid it will only get worse. With enough fentanyl seized in just a few short months to kill the entire population of Florida, it's not hard to imagine how much is being sold on our streets undetected. While Florida law enforcement is doing a tremendous job interdicting deadly drugs, if Biden will not do his job and secure the border, our state will be overrun and the death toll from fentanyl overdoses will continue to increase."

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VIDEO: Attorney General Moody Encourages Floridians to Report Suspicious Activity During National Crime Prevention Month



In recognition of National Crime Prevention Month, Attorney General Ashley Moody is encouraging Floridians to report suspicious activity to law enforcement. To assist with crime reporting, and to help callers remain anonymous, Attorney General Moody created the statewide tipline ****TIPS**. Dialing ****TIPS** from a cellphone anywhere in the state will direct callers to the closest regional Crime Stoppers Office.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "In recognition of National Crime Prevention Month, I want to encourage Floridians to help law enforcement keep their communities safe. Law enforcement can't be everywhere and that is why we are asking citizens to step up and report what they know. It's simple, if you have information about an unsolved crime, just dial ****TIPS** from a cellphone. You can remain anonymous and if your tip leads to an arrest, you may be eligible for a cash reward."

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Events

This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody met with law enforcement and parents who have lost children to fentanyl overdoses. Attorney General Moody then invited the group to help warn Floridians about rainbow fentanyl ahead of Halloween.



Attorney General Moody with Hillsborough County Sheriff Chad Chronister announcing the shutdown of a human trafficking ring and the rescue of eight victims.



Attorney General Moody speaking at the Florida Farm Bureau's Legislative Luncheon.



This week, Attorney General Moody's Bureau of Victim Compensation held a Chili Cook-off. Judges included Chief of Staff Richard Martin and other members of the

