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FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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FCSO's First Annual Safety Expo was an Overwhelming Success

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) hosted its first annual Safety Expo on Saturday, April 13th at the European Village in Palm Coast. Over 1,000 local residents and children stopped by to learn important safety information and visit many neat exhibits from the FCSO and our partners in safety in Flagler County.

Children were able to be fingerprinted by COP volunteers, emergency response equipment and vehicles were on display, and the FCSO Marine/Beaches Jeep and Airboat were able to be explored. The Flagler Sheriff's Police Athletic League (PAL) had fun for the kids with tug-of-war, giant Connect Four, hula-hoops, giant Checkers and more! An enormous Smokey the Bear made for a great photo opportunity as did Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) three-year old alligator and wildlife display. Our FCSO K9 Units were there with the stars of the show, Baro and Valor.

The most enticing exhibit at the Safety Expo appeared to be FCSO's "Shoot or Don't Shoot" simulator. This high-tech target simulation allowed visitors (ages 16-and-up) to train like the pros and see firsthand what it's like to be a deputy having to make split-second decisions in a safe and controlled environment. The line for this display lasted long after the 2 p.m. end of the Expo.

The first 100 attendees received free gift bags loaded with valuable safety information and goodies. Every hour, Sheriff Rick Staly hosted a special Safety Expo edition of Fugitive Friday Bingo where winners received a FREE Ring video doorbell and runner-ups received a free gun lock.

"I want to thank all of our partners in safety for joining us and helping make the first annual FCSO Safety Expo a great success," Sheriff Staly said. "I hope that those who attended feel they got to know their Sheriff's Office better, but for those who didn't attend I hope you will make plans to attend next year. Thank you to all of the businesses in European Village for welcoming us into your venue!" Stay tuned for information on next year's FCSO Safety Expo.

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