

Rick Staly, Sheriff

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NEWS RELEASE

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UPDATE: Missing Juvenile Xandar Garrett Located Safe

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) was notified on Sunday, November 8, that 13-year-old Xandar Garrett was located in Pinellas County and turned over to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. Xandar's family was contacted and were able to go pick up their son.

"We want to thank the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for locating Xandar and helping to reunite him with his family," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "We are happy that he was returned home and is safe. Thank you to the community who helped share the message and kept a lookout for this boy."

Original News Releases below:

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UPDATE: Missing Person Jamal Bell Located Safe

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Major Case Detective Butler received credible information on October 30, that missing Palm Coast man, Jamal Bell, was in East Point, Georgia.

The FCSO Communications Section sent a teletype to authorities in the Atlanta area asking them to attempt to locate Mr. Bell and to conduct a welfare check. Authorities with the East Point Police Department successfully made contact with Mr. Bell and advised that he was of sound mind and body, and that he was there willingly. Detective Butler made contact with Mr. Bell's family to update them on his status.

"We're pleased to learn that Mr. Bell is safe and is no longer missing," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "Our detectives did a great job in following this case and we thank the East Point Police Department in

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helping to locate him."

Detectives are continuing to investigate the case of missing Palm Coast juvenile, Xandar Garrett, who is still believed to be out of state. Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Xander Garrett is asked to call (386) 313-4911 or email tips@flaglersheriff.com.

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FCSO Working to Locate Two Unrelated Missing Flagler Residents – No Foul Play Suspected at This Time

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Major Case Detective Darrell Butler has been working with the FCSO Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) and the FCSO Digital Forensic Unit since October 23rd in order to gather intelligence and data on the locations of both 30-year-old Jamal Bell and 13-year-old Xandar Garrett.

The most up-to-date information received by Detectives is that neither subject is in Flagler County at this time. Detectives have reached out to outside agencies (both in and out of the state) who are cooperating with the FCSO to locate both subjects safely. There is currently no evidence to suggest either missing person is the victim of any foul play.

Detectives have remained in contact with family members and friends of both subjects, and have kept both families apprised of the investigations, most recently updating the families on the afternoon on October 26th. Detectives continued to work through the weekend in order to make sure that none of the information gathered in these investigations is not promptly followed-up on by FCSO or other agency's.

"In the cases of Jamal Bell and Xandar Garrett, we've been able to rely on data provided to us from our RTCC, our Digital Forensic Unit, as well as information provided to us by the families. The FCSO is doing everything to locate these missing individuals and bring them home safely," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "I'm asking their friends, relatives or anyone that has seen either of them to call us so we can re-unite them with their family."

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Jamal Bell or Xander Garrett is asked to call (386) 313-4911 or email tips@flaglersheriff.com.

These two missing person's cases are not related.

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