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FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Newest Flagler Sheriff K-9 Team Completes FDLE Required Training, Ready for Full Duty

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office's (FCSO) newest K-9 team, Deputy First Class (DFC) Marcus Dawson and K-9 Baro, have successfully completed a 480-hour Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) K-9 Team training course. The K-9 team is now active on full-duty patrol in Flagler County.



The graduates: Deputy First Class Marcus Dawson & K-9 Baro.

K-9 Baro is a four-year-old German Shepherd born on June 18, 2017. He was generously donated to the FCSO by Dr. Caesar DePaco in 2018. K-9 Baro is a dual-purpose canine training in narcotics detection and apprehension. He assists with searches for felony criminal suspects who are often violent or armed. DFC Dawson and K-9 Baro are now ready to respond to calls for service, aid FCSO deputies in searching for suspects or narcotics, and help keep the streets of Flagler County safe.

"Our K-9 teams are important an important part of keeping our community safe and catching criminals," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "The training course certifies them to actively deploy focusing on area and building searches, tracking, criminal apprehension, and article and evidence searches. With the training now complete, they're ready to serve and protect Flagler County."

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The FCSO K-9 Unit is comprised of six teams: Four patrol teams with dual-purpose canines, one explosive detection K-9 team, and one search and rescue bloodhound team.

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