

Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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NEWS RELEASE

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FCSO Hosts Opioids Investigations and Overdose Response Training

Today the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) hosted a multi-agency training on "Prescription Opioids/Opiate Investigations and Overdose Response" at the Emergency Operations Center. The class was presented by a partnership between FCSO, the Miami Division of the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), the United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida and the St. Petersburg College Center for Public Safety Innovation.



Undersheriff Bisland greets participants for training

The course, presented by DEA Special Agents and staff, was taught to teach first responders how to respond and investigate drug overdoses and enforcement encounters. The class also provided excellent information about the opioid epidemic facing Florida and the United States and its effects so that law enforcement officers, crime scene and evidence technicians and other first responders are prepared for these cases.

"We are honored to partner and host this training for not only our deputies and evidence technicians, but for officers from our neighboring agencies," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "The opioid epidemic effects everyone and we are doing everything we can locally to fight this national epidemic."

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FCSO Deputies, along with police officers from Daytona Beach Police Department, Ormond Beach Police Department, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Bunnell Police Department, and Daytona Beach Shores Police Department attended and were taught topics ranging from investigating overdoses, current drug trends, drug identification, investigative tactics, dark web and bitcoin online investigations, officer safety and hazards during drug enforcement and drug investigations.

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