



Rick Staly, Sheriff  
**FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **FCSO Searching for Spray Paint Bandits**

Throughout the month of August, vandals spray painting garage doors, sides of homes, and even vehicles, have caused damage to properties throughout Flagler County. Flagler Sheriff's detectives have followed all leads in an attempt to identify the suspects. While detectives believe the graffiti is related, they do not believe it is racially motivated or gang related.



Graffiti on homes and vehicles reported in the "R" section of Palm Coast on August 6, 2017.

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Detectives are asking residents to call law enforcement if they see anything that may be related to these crimes. They are also sending a reminder to businesses that minors are prohibited by law from purchasing aerosol spray paint until 18 years of age. Deputies have increased patrols in residential areas in an attempt to hinder this behavior from continuing.

“If you see something, say something,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “That will be the best way for us to identify who is doing this and put a stop to it.”



Left: Spray paint on a garage in the “E” section of Palm Coast. Right: Spray paint on a car in the “F” section of Palm Coast.

If anyone has any information about these cases or information on any crime in Flagler County, they may contact the Flagler County Sheriff’s Office at (386) 313-4911. Callers can also remain anonymous and be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000 by calling Crime Stoppers of Northeast Florida at 1-888-277-TIPS (8477).

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