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Antifa Rumors Appear Unfounded

Antifa, a political movement of anti-fascist groups, is allegedly planning coordinated, non-violent, demonstrations on November 4th at various locations around the country. Rumors have spread that Palm Coast is one of those sites. Thorough research by the Northeast Florida Fusion Center and the Flagler County Sheriff's Domestic Homeland Security Section indicate there are no verified sites within Flagler County or the state of Florida for these demonstrations. The Flagler County Sheriff's Domestic Homeland Security Section is working with other local and state agencies and will continue to monitor the situation so that we can update the community if needed.

An apparently false social media post from a Kansas Facebook page indicated that Palm Coast will be a site of anti-fascist group demonstrations on November 4th and has since been widely disseminated. This has caused unnecessary concern for some citizens. The Flagler County Sheriff's Office is taking this opportunity to relieve those concerns and reassure the community that this issue will continue to be monitored and assessed.

"We have seen the postings on social media and other outlets that suggest there will be protests in our county," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "We've taken appropriate measures to research those reports and have found that there is no known legitimate source for this claim. In any event, our agency is prepared and residents should continue their normal activities. Remember, if you see something, say something."

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