

Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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NEWS RELEASE

Date: Monday, March 26, 2018 **Contact:** Brittany Kershaw; (386) 586-2637; bkershaw@flaglersheriff.com

Sheriff Seeking Public's Assistance in Suspicious Incident

Flagler County Sheriff's Deputies responded to Hidden Trails Park (6108 Mahogany Blvd, Bunnell, FL 32110) on Saturday, March 24 after a group of juveniles discovered a possible placenta wrapped in a medical pad in a dumpster. Sheriff's detectives, Medical Examiner's Office and the Sheriff's Crime Scene Unit responded to the park and searched the dumpster but did not find any other evidence. Sheriff Rick Staly was also on the scene. On Monday March 26, the Medical Examiner determined it was in fact a human placenta.



Sheriff Staly on scene with Deputies and Detectives.

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office is asking the public's assistance in determining who may have

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recently given birth and disposed of the placenta so that we can ensure that the infant and mother are safe and well. There are no criminal charges pending.

"We are asking the public to assist us in solving this mystery and ensuring the mother and infant are okay," Sheriff Staly said. "Please call us with any information you may have."

The primary objective is to locate the newborn infant, believed to have been born sometime between March 19th and March 23rd and ensure the child is safe and healthy. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Flagler County Sheriff's Office at 386-313-4911 and mention Case Number 2018-00028099. To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-888-277-TIP (8477). You could eligible for a reward up to \$5,000.

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