

## Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Deputies, Firefighters, Citizens Save Driver from Submerged Vehicle After Crash



BUNNELL, FL – Deputies, firefighters, and civilians heroically rescued a driver from a submerged car after it crashed into a retention pond at the exit ramp for I-95 and Palm Coast Parkway on Sunday night. The driver had lost control of the vehicle and his vehicle came to rest upside down in the nearby retention pond.

Upon arrival, deputies and firefighters quickly jumped into action, diving into the water and pulling the driver to safety with the help of several citizens. They also ensured that there were no other occupants within the vehicle, as they had located a child's car seat in the back seat during their search.

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"Thanks to everyone's quick action and bravery, the driver was able to be located quickly and life saving measures were immediately given," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "We pray the driver makes a full recovery. Thank you to the citizens who also jumped in to help."

To view video of the rescue: <u>https://youtu.be/yyT4CllJoFo</u>

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