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FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Flagler County Sheriff's Office to Increase Patrols **Thanksgiving Weekend**

BUNNELL, Fla. — The Flagler County Sheriff's Office is increasing patrols in residential areas, business areas, and roadways throughout Flagler County in anticipation of holiday-related traffic.

The holiday season brings with it some of the busiest travel days of the year to Flagler County, so residents should plan for increased traffic, especially on major roadways such as Interstate 95, State Road 100, U.S. Highway 1, and Palm Coast Parkway. Deputies will have an increased presence on roadways and the FCSO Traffic and Motors Unit will conduct enforcement details to target drunk drivers, aggressive driving, seatbelt violations, and speeding.

Sheriff Rick Staly encourages residents to plan their travel ahead of time and exercise patience on the roadway. "With heavier-than-usual traffic expected this holiday weekend, I ask everyone to be patient, stay alert, and obey all traffic laws," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "A few extra minutes of caution is better than a lifetime of regret or a trip to the Green Roof Inn."

Black Friday kicks off the official holiday shopping season, which means there is an increased potential for criminal activity. To stop criminals from preying on Flagler County shoppers or businesses, deputies will have increased visibility and patrols in our shopping areas. This includes our Bike Unit and foot patrols in business parking lots and shopping areas.

Along with the increased presence, Sheriff Staly encourages shoppers to do their part to keep from becoming easy targets for criminals.

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“When shopping, be aware of your surroundings and always carry your purse or wallet close to your body, ideally in a front pocket or cross-body,” added Sheriff Rick Staly. “Avoid carrying large amounts of cash, and don’t leave your purchases in plain view. Store them in your trunk and remember to always lock your car doors.”

The FCSO Operations Center in Bunnell and District 2 Office in Palm Coast will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 27, and Friday, Nov. 28, and will reopen to the public on Monday, Dec. 1. The Flagler County Emergency Communications Center remains open 365 days a year, and residents should call 9-1-1 for emergencies or 386-313-4911 for non-emergencies. Remember, if you see something, say something. Together we can prevent crime.

Sheriff Staly and the men and women of FCSO wish you a safe and happy Thanksgiving weekend.

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