

163 Victimized
Children Recovered

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TAMPA, Fla.—Attorney General James Uthmeier announced the recovery of 163 children, ranging in ages from 2 months to 17 years old, during Operation Statewide Shield, the first statewide child recovery initiative and the largest operation of its kind in Florida history.

“Many of these kids have been victimized by those who prey on the most vulnerable,” said Attorney General James Uthmeier. “Thanks to the outstanding work of FDLE, the Office of Statewide Prosecution, and our state and local partners, these children are now safe and receiving the care they deserve. Florida will continue leading the recovery of missing children, hunting down every predator, and prosecuting abusers to the fullest extent of the law.”

“Operation Statewide Shield demonstrates the power of collaboration and the unwavering commitment shared by all participating agencies and organizations to achieve a singular mission: find our kids and bring them home,” said FDLE Commissioner Mark Glass. “This operation brought together state, local, and federal partners, to safely return home 163 missing children.”

“The results of this combined law-enforcement operation should make one thing very clear: Florida will never tolerate you harming our children,” said Representative Danny Alvarez. “To every sick person in this society who even tries it, if you think you got away with it you should keep looking over your shoulder every second of your life because we’re coming, and we will never rest in order to protect our children and their futures.”

“The success of Operation Statewide Shield reaffirms what partnership can accomplish when government, faith organizations, not for profits, and the private sector come together, share their strengths and use their collective expertise to protect children across this state,” said Florida Department of Children and Families Assistant Secretary Jonathan Stephens. “Under the leadership of Governor DeSantis, the Department will continue to foster opportunities to collaborate with local and state partners to maximize our impact.”

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Innocent Victim of Gang Contract Killing

by Catherine Ingoldsby, Justice Coalition Student Intern



Bryant Grund was working toward a better future for himself and his family. The 31- year-old Uber driver had been working late-night shifts to help support his family while preparing to move to Georgia for a new job with Samsonite. During the late evening hours of October 6, 2023, Grund’s plans were drastically ended.

Around the hour of 11:45 p.m., Jacksonville police responded to a report of gunfire on Kylan Drive near Moncrief Road on the city’s Northside. When police officers arrived, they found Grund as well as 18-year-old Antonio Tillie Jr. fatally shot inside Grund’s Mini Cooper.

Investigators later ruled that Tillie was the intended target of the shooting. Grund, however, appeared to have been an innocent bystander who became caught in a violent dispute that had nothing to do with him.

According to investigators, Grund had been driving Tillie to meet Diamond Harris, who lured Tillie to the location under the pretense of a date. Authorities later determined that the meeting was connected to a planned attack against Tillie.

The shooting was linked to gang-related activity and ongoing disputes described as “gang beef and issues.” Tillie was believed to have a \$20,000 bounty on his head, making him the focus of the attack. Grund was not the intended target, but he was killed alongside Tillie when the shooting occurred.

The investigation eventually led authorities to Ju ‘Quan Mills who plead guilty in connection to the killings. Jimmy Robinson has also been arrested and has been charged with two counts of second-degree murder for his role in the killings.

Ju ‘Quan Mills, the trigger man, was found guilty of killing both Grund and Tillie. But prosecutors determined that Mills did not conduct the attack alone. Jimmy Robinson was also involved and was identified as a lookout and getaway driver. Robinson also provided one of the rifles used in the shooting.

Diamond Harris, identified as Mills’ girlfriend, was also found guilty as an accessory in the crime. Investigators searched through the suspects’ phones discovered chilling messages between Harris and Mills discussing the plan to lure Tillie to the location to kill him.

While the shooting was intended to target one person, it claimed the life of another innocent victim, Bryant Grund, who was only trying to make an honest living for himself and his family. For Grund’s family, his death was not simply another case of tragic gun violence in Jacksonville. It was the sudden loss of a son, brother and provider who was working to build a better life.

The deaths of Grund and Tillie were connected to the same shooting, but their circumstances were dramatically different. Tillie was identified as the intended target of a violent dispute, while Grund was simply doing his job when he became caught in the attack. This case serves as a reminder of how the consequences of violence can extend far beyond the intended target. A dispute involving one person can affect families, communities and innocent people who happen to be in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Multiple family members described Grund as a “good-hearted” person who wanted to improve his circumstances and provide for the people he loved. Grund was the primary breadwinner for his family. He lived with his mother, Heidi Doyle, and his two younger siblings in a hotel room while they waited to make their move to a better life in Georgia.

The family had been depending on Grund’s income as they worked toward a more stable future. His new job represented an opportunity for Grund to improve their financial situation and to help his family establish a new life. Instead, his death left his family facing both emotional and financial uncertainty. Along with the grief came difficult questions about how the family would manage without the income Grund had provided.

Overcome by grief, Heidi Doyle, contacted Justice Coalition in search of assistance. Executive Director, Robert Bracewell, helped guide Doyle and her family towards a better future by making a public plead, bringing awareness to Doyle’s family on television. The plea helped bring awareness to situations such as Doyle’s and how the community can help those affected by violent crimes.

The Justice Coalition helps advocate and pave the way in helping victims like Bryant Grund of serious and violent crimes. The three persons charged in the tragic shooting of Grund and Tillie are scheduled to be sentenced in the upcoming weeks to finally get proper justice for the victims. This would not have been possible without the guidance of the Justice Coalition and the help of the community. Bryant Grund’s family continues to navigate this challenging time but hopes their story will help other victims of violent crime going through similar challenges.



The Justice Coalition is a grassroots, non-profit (501(c)3), non-partisan organization that operates on contributions, proceeds from fundraisers and citizen involvement.

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Philippians 4:13

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Ht./Wt.: 5'8" / 150-160
Eyes/Hair: Hazel / Bald
Warrant Issued:
2/18/2025
Offense: Possession of
Controlled Substance

MARIO DANIEL ANTONIO SWIFT

DOB: 9/3/1989
Ht./Wt.: 5'9" / 175
Eyes/Hair: Brown / Brown
Warrant Issued: 5/13/25
Offense: VOP Criminal
Mischief Over \$1,000 &
Battery Domestic Violence
(Misdemeanor)

JAMES MICHAEL WHITE

DOB: 10/08/1990
Ht./Wt.: 5'7"
Eyes/Hair: Hazel / Brown
Warrant Issued:
01/30/2025
Offense: Felony Retail
Theft with 2 or more
Prior Convictions

KALIE MARIE CALLAHAN

DOB: 02/02/1989
Ht./Wt.: 5'3" / 100-120
Eyes/Hair: Green / Brown
Warrant Issued:
08/26/2025
Offense: Possession of
Meth, Possession of
Fentanyl, Possession of
Cocaine

TRAVIS MARSHALL BLACKWELDER

DOB: 10/25/1980
Ht./Wt.: 5'7" / 190-200
Eyes/Hair: Green / Brown
Warrant Issued:
3/11/2025
Offense: FTA 3 Counts of
Failure to Comply
w/Sexual Offender
Requirements

SHANNON SAAMON ELAINE ROBERTS

DOB: 08/15/1994
Ht./Wt.: 5'4" / 155
Eyes/Hair: Brown /
Black
Warrant Issued:
10/18/2023
Offense: Fraudulent
Use of Credit Card

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DOB: 10/19/1986
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Eyes/Hair: Brown / Black
Warrant Issued:
09/16/2025
Offense: FTA Scheme to
Defraud \$50,000 or more;
Grand Theft \$20,000 or
more (x2); Grand Theft,
more than \$300, less than
\$20,000 (x2)

DAVID MICHAEL DOMINGUE

DOB: 07/12/1979
Ht./Wt.: 6'2" / 170
Eyes/Hair: Brown / Brown
Warrant(s) Issued:
08/27/2025 & 09/22/2025
Offense(s): Theft
\$10,000-\$50,000 from
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- To be available for innocent victims of violent crime
- To educate the general public on criminal justice issues
- To be pro-active in the fight against crime

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THE SECRET WORD GAME

Hidden in this edition of the Victims' Advocate is the SECRET WORD for the month of September. The rules are simple:
1. Find the word.
2. Telephone the Justice Coalition office at 783-6312.3.

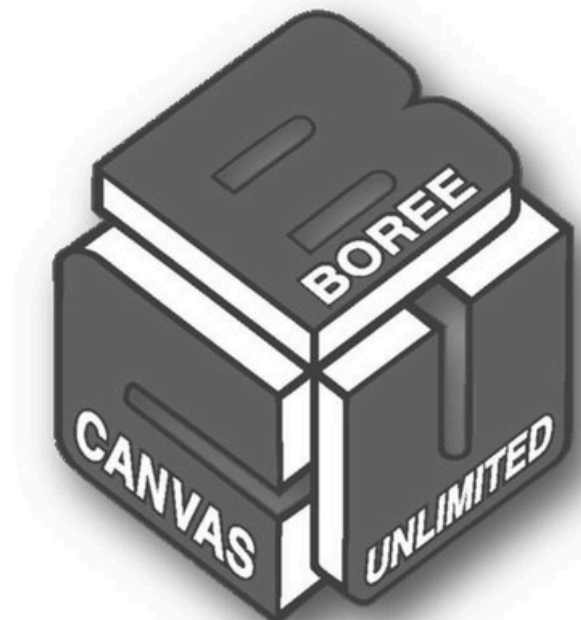
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24 Hour Hotline: 904-284-0061
9:30 - 4:30: 904-284-0340

Compensation (victim)

Justice Coalition: 904-783-6312

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MAAD) victim services

904-388-2455

Detoxification

Gateway Community Services
904-387-4661

Mental Health Resource Center

Emergency, North 904-695-9145
South 904-642-9100

Parental Help

www.hopehaven.org/partners
904-346-5100

Rape

Women's Center Of Jacksonville:
904-722-3000
WCJ-Nassau County
904-716-5390
24hr Hotline
904-721-7273

Family Support Services of North Florida

1300 Riverplace Blvd., Suite 700
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904-421-5800 www.fss.jax.org

Guardian Ad Litem Program

Edward Ball Bldg. 214 N. Hogan St.,
Suite 6004 Jacksonville, FL 32202
904/255-8440

State Attorney's Office

904-630-2400

Youth Crisis Youth Crisis Center

The SafePlace 3015 Parental
Home Road Jacksonville, FL
32216 904-725-6662

163 Victimized Children Recovered (continued from page 1)

Operation Statewide Shield was a five-day, statewide operation focused on identifying, locating, and recovering missing children. Developed to provide immediate access to child-focused services, the investigation utilized real-time intelligence and field operations for location and recovery. Sub-operations took place in and across Pensacola, Tallahassee, Jacksonville, Orlando, Tampa, Fort Myers, and Miami.

The multi-disciplinary task force proactively located vulnerable youth across the country and outside of the United States, including 46 recoveries by the Tampa Bay region, 41 by Miami, 32 by Jacksonville, 21 by Orlando, 12 by Fort Myers, 8 by Pensacola, and 3 by Tallahassee. Locations where operations took place in the US and its territories included Alabama, California, Ohio, New York, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, and Tennessee. Outside of the US included Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Dominica, Finland, Ghana, Guatemala, Italy, Jamaica, Mexico, Spain, and Taiwan.

The children ranged in age from 2 months to 17 years old. Many recovered children had experienced various levels of abuse, neglect, exploitation, or exposure to other criminal activity, including human trafficking.

There were multiple arrests, including a defendant who was wanted on three counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a minor and also had a warrant for interference with child custody; another defendant for lewd and lascivious battery on a victim 12 to 16 years old; and one for interference in a child custody case as well as resisting officers without violence. More arrests are expected over the coming days.

Recovered children were safely transported by local law enforcement to designated recovery hubs, where they received support from social services, child welfare professionals, medical providers, victim advocates, and other child-centered resources. All recovery information was documented through the Missing and Endangered Persons Information Clearinghouse to ensure case closure.

Using lessons learned from the U.S. Marshals-led Operations Dragon Eye and Home for the Holidays, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) led Operation Statewide Shield with Special Counsel to the Attorney General for Human Trafficking Rita Peters serving as legal advisor.

Victims Services Organizations Facing Budget Shortfalls

According to Brennan Center for Justice (brennancenter.org), after four decades of bipartisan progress, the federal support for crime victims is unraveling. Although Department of Justice leaders claimed that withdrawing these grants awarded by its Office for Victims of Crime would not directly impact victims, many of the groups that lost funding provided vital support to victims suffering profound physical, emotional, and financial harms. The abrupt funding withdrawals also come at a particularly challenging time for victim services organizations. Countless local agencies and nonprofits were already facing budget shortfalls and navigating funding instability from primary sources of federal grants for victim services. Many are also now reeling from federal funding freezes or rollbacks to programs that support recovery after victimization, such as initiatives at the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Health and Human Services. It is not too late though for the administration to change course.

Supporting the needs of victims and survivors of violent crime, like the Grund family story reported on page one, continues to be at the center of the Justice Coalition's mission. With funding shortfalls experienced across victim services organizations, we rely upon private and corporate contributions to fill the gap. **There are three ways you can help!**

1. **Donate to the Justice Coalition** to assist the physical, emotional and financial challenges of victims and survivors of violent crime in eight counties in Northeast Florida. 904-783-6312 or email: editor@justicecoalition.org
2. **Become a Member:** Join the Justice Coalition for just \$11.00 a month
3. **Mark your calendar for Wednesday, September 23** — the National Day of Action urging Senators to support the Crime Victims Fund Stabilization Act (CVFSA - S. 1892) and protect critical victim services funding.

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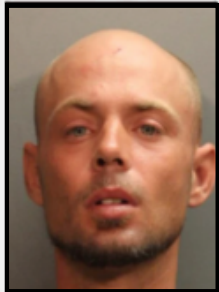
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KERI WILLIAMS
Missing:November 22, 2015
Age at Incident:33
Race:White
Caucasian
Height: 67"
Weight: 150lbs
Hair Color: Brown
Jax Sheriff's Office
904-630-0500



GEANNA MARIA JONES
Missing Age 36
5' 9", 165 lbs, Brown hair, Brown eyes
Missing since Nov. 3, 2000
Notify Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
904-630-0500



STEPHEN JACK MCGOVERN
Missing: 10/15/2222
Race - White
Age 35
Hair- bald
Height - 5'7"
Jax Sheriff's Office
904-630-0500



BREION J'MAALE DAVIS
Current Age 36
5' 7", 150 lbs.
Black hair, Brown eyes
Missing since Aug. 6, 2019
Notify Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
904-630-0500



ROSEMARY RIVAS DAY
Current Age 41 5' 4", 120-150 lbs,
Brown Hair, Brown Eyes
Missing Since May 25, 2011
\$5,000 Reward
Notify JSO
904-630-2791



KELLY BRANNON
Gender: Female
Race: Caucasian
DOB: 05/02/1984
Age: 40
Height: 5ft4in
Weight: 130
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
386-208-(TIPS)



LAURENCE WHITEMORE
Current Age 59
5' 8", 180 lbs
Salt & Pepper hair
Blue eyes, Goatee
Missing since May 7, 2022
Notify Nassau County Sheriff's Office
904-548-4003



BRITTANY PALMER
Age: 23, 5'1"
Black Hair
Brown Eyes
Weight 120
Missing since 8/25/2020
Jacksonville Sheriff's Office at
904-630-0500



JACQUELYN LORRAINE MARKHAM
Current Age 75
5' 6", 150 lbs, Light brown hair, Brown eyes
Missing Since Dec. 14, 2000
Notify Nassau County Sheriff's Office
904-225-8984



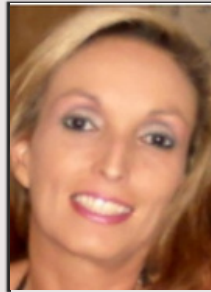
TRAVIS DANIEL CHURCH
Current Age 32
5' 11", 152 lbs.
Brown hair, Green eyes,
Missing since Jan. 9, 2018
Nassau County Sheriff's Office
904-548-4085



JEROME DEMPSEY JOHNSON
Current Age 67
6' 2", 215 lbs. Gray hair, brown eyes,
Missing since Mar. 30, 2016
Notify Jacksonville County Sheriff's Office
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MICHAEL ROBERT BAUERNFEIND
Current Age 58
5' 8 - 5' 10", 140 - 160 lbs, Brown hair, Brown eyes.
Missing since Feb. 12, 2019
Notify Flagler County Sheriff's Office
386-313-4911



KATHERINE BODDEN GELARO, AKA MELISSA BODDEN
Was last seen on Morris Drive in Callahan, Florida on December 19, 2019. She has never been heard from again. Her two sons reported her missing on Christmas Day. Call 904225-5174



ZUNILDA RONDON
Current Age 42
5' 7", 160 lbs, Black hair, Brown eyes
Missing since June 3, 2022
Notify Flagler County Sheriff's Office
386-313-4911



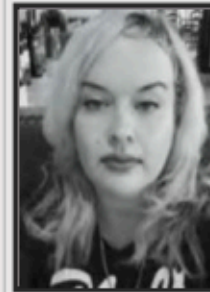
LAURA LYNN BRYANT
Current Age 44
5' 4", 120 lbs, Brown hair, Green eyes
Missing since Sept. 19, 2022
Notify St. Johns County Sheriff's Office
904-824-8304



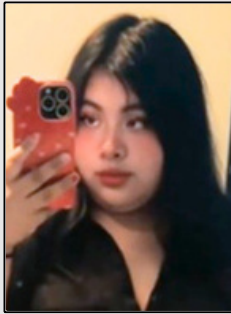
DONALD RAY TOLLIVER
Current Age 42
5' 11", 200 lbs, Brown hair, Blue eyes, Faded tear drop tattoo under eye,
Missing since July 27, 2022
Notify St. Johns County Sheriff's Office
904-824-8304



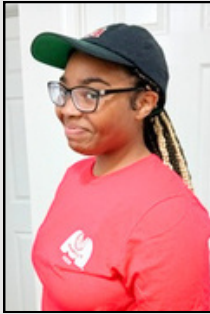
CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE POLLEN
Pollen was last seen in the Meadowfield Bluff area in Yulee, Florida at 2:00 a.m. on September 18, 2016.He left his vehicle, cellular phone and wallet at his residence and has never been heard from again. Call: 904-824-8304



ELIZABETH ABIGAIL ATKINS
Current Age 38
5' 2", 175 lbs, Pink and blonde hair, Blue eyes
Missing since Nov. 27, 2024
Notify St. Johns County Sheriff's Office
904-548-4085



Yakelin Perez Matio
Location: 10900 Beach Blvd
Age: 17
Height: Unknown, Weight: 170
Hair Color: Black
Eye Color: Brown
Last Seen Wearing: Unknown
Last Seen Date: 5/22/2026
Anonymous Tips: You can remain 100% anonymous by calling First Coast Crime Stoppers at 1.866.845.TIPS (8477), or [submit a tip online](#) and give case ID: 2026-00300784. Your tip will be 100% anonymous.



Imani Brianna Ayala
Location: 12000 Atlantic Blvd
Age: 16
Height: 5' 6", Weight: 190
Hair Color: Brown
Eye Color: Brown
Last Seen Wearing: Blue Tshirt / Khaki Pants / Black And White Sneakers
Last Seen Date: 8/25/2026
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at 10700 E. Pine Estates Road (32218) near Leonid Road and Dunn on Northside.
A cash reward of up to \$5,000 is offered for anonymous tips that lead to an arrest. If you have any information, no matter how small, submit a tip by calling 1-866-845-TIPS (8477), dialing **TIPS (8477), visiting www.fccrimestoppers.com



Gabriel Devoe, 23 was shot to death at the Caroline Village apartments in Arlington on Nov. 2, 2022. \$5k reward for info. Call 630-0500

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JSOCrimeTips@jaxsheriff.org
904.630.0500

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UNSOLVED MURDERS

We regret that because of insufficient space we cannot include all unsolved murder cases on this page.
We will rotate cases featuring each victim every three months.
We remain sorry for your loss and will continue to work to seek justice for all.



Name: Amber Bass **Info:** This 22-year-old woman was shot outside her home on July 19, 2013. Detectives are looking for a light-colored car. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2171. Crime Stoppers offers \$3,000 for information and \$1,000 to recover gun used in crime.



April 13, 2011, Bryan Wrigley was riding his bicycle eastbound on CR-214 near Poa Boy Farms Rd. A westbound 2001 to 2003 Blue Ford Ranger crossed the center line of the road and struck Bryan Wrigley head-on killing him instantly. Call: 904-824-8304



Name: Jason Tyler Pelishek **Info:** He was found in a parking lot of a law office on Liberty Street on July 23, 2012. **Notify:** Call 904-630-2626 or First Coast Crime Stoppers at 866-845-TIPS



Name: Byron Walker. On Thursday, May 23rd, at 9:45 pm, JSO Officers were dispatched to 10500 Maidstone Cove Rd. In reference to a man that was shot several times. Crime Stoppers offers \$3,000 reward - call 1-866-845-TIPS



Name: Michael E. Siegrist **Info:** Siegrist, 34, was waiting with a friend at the bus stop at Jammes and Harlow Rd. on July 13, 2013, when a tall, thin black man (about 6'2" in his 20s with short hair) stole the friend's purse. Siegrist intervened and was shot and killed. **Notify:** JSO Homicide 904-630-2171



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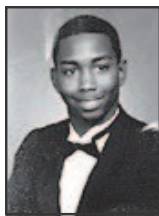
Name: Sulaiman Allah Muhammad **Info:** This 28-year-old male was found shot while sitting inside his vehicle on January 9, 2011. He was parked at 6650 103rd Street. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



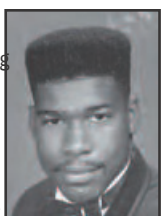
Gabriel Devoe, 23 was shot to death at the Caroline Village apartments in Arlington on Nov. 2, 2022. \$5k reward for info. Call 630-0500



Name: Tammie Lee Tschappatt **Info:** On May 23, 2008, Tammie was shot as she walked on the street in the vicinity of Shenandoah and Lacoma Dr. She was rushed to Shands where she died several days later. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Antonio Creech **Info:** This young man, 22, was murdered Dec. 23, 2007, in a shooting at Eureka Gardens Apartments. Franklin Delano Prince Jr. died at the scene with Creech. Another friend survived but unable to make any identifications. **Notify:** JSO Homicide 904-630-2171



Name: Shawn Patrick Newman **Info:** On Nov. 9, 2007, unknown assailants shot this 35-year-old male through the door of his apartment at 4743 Radcliff Ct. Before losing consciousness, he stated, "They ~~tried~~ shot me." He died later at Shands Hospital. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Moussa Set **Info:** He was found dead on May 6, 2003, inside the Amoco on Beach Blvd. and Art Museum Dr., lying on the floor and the bulletproof booth was open. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Michele Tyler-Hart **Info:** This 21-year-old was murdered on August 9, 1995, near Borden Cemetery off Plant Lane and Old Middleburg Rd. (near I-295) on the Westside. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Clifford Backmann **Info:** Backmann, 56, was working alone on an office construction at 6960 Bonneval Rd. near intersection of Philips Hwy. & J. Turner Butler Blvd. on 10/10/2009 when an unknown assailant robbed and shot him. Prior to death, he called 911 stated gunman as a black male. **Notify:** JSO Homicide 904-630-0500



Name: Steffon Larry **Info:** This young man was 26 years old when he was discovered murdered inside of a burning car in a double unsolved murder in West St. Augustine. **Notify:** St. Augustine Police Department at (904) 825-1070



Name: Bilaal Kwame Shaw **Info:** Bilaal "Blair" Shaw, 19, murdered while waiting to catch a city bus on Jan. 8, 2009 at 5:00 a.m. CrimeStoppers reports only one tip has been received since the young man's death. **Notify:** JSO at 630-0500 or CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS.



Name: Damien A. Wallace **Info:** He was found deceased in the front seat of a car at 1261 N. Broad Street on April 27, 2010. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Joe Harrell **Info:** This young man was discovered January 22, 2006, lying in the driveway of a vacant home a 3021 Silver Street, believed to have been killed around midnight while walking home from work. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172



Name: Dustin Padley **Info:** On Jan. 9, 2006, this 23-year-old male was crossing two lanes of Hwy 1 Southbound in St. Augustine Beach, he was struck by a white '88 or '89 LTD, thrown approx. 120 feet and killed. **Notify:** FHP at 904-695-4115 ext. 535.



Name: Jeffrey Edwin Sheppard **Info:** This man was murdered and his body found in the River-side area on August 18, 2008. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172..



Name: James Alfred Waters **Info:** On Jan. 19, 2009, this 32-year-old man was killed while sitting in his car at the Cleveland Arms Apts. Numerous witnesses deny knowing anything about the murder. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



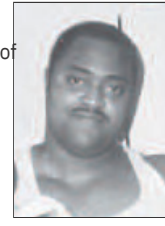
Name: John Gates, II **Info:** He was murdered on June 2, 2005, while working as a clerk at the BP gas station, 643 Stockton St. According to a second victim, two black males entered the store at 7:50 p.m. One suspect held this victim at gunpoint while the other shot Gates. **Notify:** JSO at 904-630-2172 **Name:**



Name: Julius Parrish **Info:** He was watching his dog in the yard on June 30, 2012. A car slowly approached and someone began shooting. Another victim was also shot, but survived. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Merkel Hosea Smalls **Info:** This man was found deceased on June 23, 2005, in the 11000 block of Thein Street. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Otis West **Info:** On Sept. 14, 2002, this 29-year-old man was shot in the back as he walked away from an argument with friends to return to his home. The shooting occurred at 1248 W. Duval Street. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Thomas Leo Buckley **Info:** On July 28, 1992, Thomas Buckley's body was recovered on Interstate 95 South (Nassau County), near the Florida/Georgia line with an apparent gunshot wound wearing a shirt that displayed, "Carpetland Florida's Largest" **Notify:** Nassau at 904-548-4085



Name: Michael Lamar Perry **Info:** On Aug. 7, 2008, he was gunned down at 13th and Moncrief by an unidentified black male riding a green beach cruiser bicycle. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Terrance Dwayne Snead **Info:** On Dec. 14, 2003, at 7:30 pm, the victim was found shot at 1944 Berkley St. in Jacksonville where he lived with his grandmother. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Stephen Wiggins **Info:** On Oct. 7, 2008, 56 year old Stephen was found bleeding and unresponsive on the road-side in the area of 5100 Colonial Ave. He was pronounced dead at the scene **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Crandall "Jack" Reed **Info:** Police found 51-year-old Crandall Jack Reed fatally wounded in his cab on South Edgewood Avenue. He died later at the hospital. Reed was believed to have been shot in a parking **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172



Name: John Ragin, Jr. **Info:** He and Eric Stubbs were found murdered on June 29, 2011, at 5443 Bristol Bay Lane N on Jacksonville's Westside. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172 or CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS.



Name: Darrell Lamar Stringfield **Info:** Shot by unknown assailant on October 22, 2008, in the parking lot of Grand Oaks Apts. on Justina Road. He died on March 6, 2009. The suspect is a black male, 20s, 6'2", 225lbs. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Cedric Deon Williams **Info:** This 15-year-old was killed at 344 Phelps Street on Sept. 23, 2005. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Lance Van Dominguez Moreno **Info:** This 23-year-old was killed November 9, 2012, in the 3200 block of Rayford Street. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Crandall "Jack" Reed **Info:** On 11/16/2007, Reed, 51, was driving his cab when a white car pulled alongside him, robbed, and shot him twice. JSO found him on Edgewood seeking help. He died an hour later. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172



Name: Eric Stubbs **Info:** He and John Ragin, Jr., were found murdered on June 29, 2011, at 5443 Bristol Bay Lane N on Jacksonville's Westside. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Kawan Lamar Williams **Info:** In July 13, 2003, Kawan was shot, apparently during a robbery, at 8711 Newton Road in the Southwind Villa Apts. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Hakeem Muhammad **Info:** This 17-year-old male was found deceased from a gunshot wound on July 26, 2006, inside room 119 at the Budget Inn, 6545 Ramona Blvd. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172



Name: Nancy Canode **Info:** 39-year-old mother was found stabbed to death on the morning of 3/3/1981, in her family Ponte Vedra condo, 695 A1A S. Last seen by husband Ken Canode. **Notify:** St. Johns County Sheriff's Office at 904-824-8304.



Name: Eugene Brown III **Info:** Brown III, 27, was found shot and killed inside his residence at 2125 Danese St., 11/24/2010. Two young black males were seen leaving the scene after shots were fired. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.



Name: Ryan Bernard Williams **Info:** This 23-year-old was shot and killed April 1, 2010, by unknown assailants after being pinned in his car by other vehicles at Kings Road and Division Street. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 904-630-2172.

UNSOLVED CRIMES

Anyone with information concerning these individuals, please call JSO at 904-630-0500 or First Coast Crime Stoppers at 1.866.845.TIPS (8477)



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UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
14900 Max Leggett Pkwy



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UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
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City Station Dr



Case ID:
2025-00604773
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Fraudulent Use of Credit
Cards
6500 Mariam St



Case ID:
2025-00613790
UNKNOWN SUSPECT(S)
Auto Theft
5800 Edenfield Rd



Case ID: 2025-00608351
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Discharging a Firearm in
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Armed Robbery
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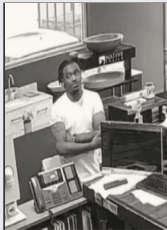
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Unauthorized Use of Credit
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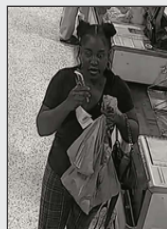
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10 University Blvd N



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Fraudulent Use of a Credit
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1100 Dunn Ave



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13000 City Station Dr



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Burglary
5800 University Blvd W



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UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
6000 Block of Ft Caroline Rd



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Armed Robbery
1300 Block of Barnett St



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2025-00340076
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Grand Theft
8100 Block of 103rd St



Case ID:
2025-00349429
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
10000 Block of San Jose Blvd

UNSOLVED CRIMES FROM THE JACKSONVILLE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

An active case existed for every unsolved crime shown on this page at the time the Justice Coalition received the information from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Unsolved Crimes database for this edition, about one week before the Victim's Advocate went to press. To learn more and obtain an updated status, visit unsolvedcrimes.jaxsheriff.org

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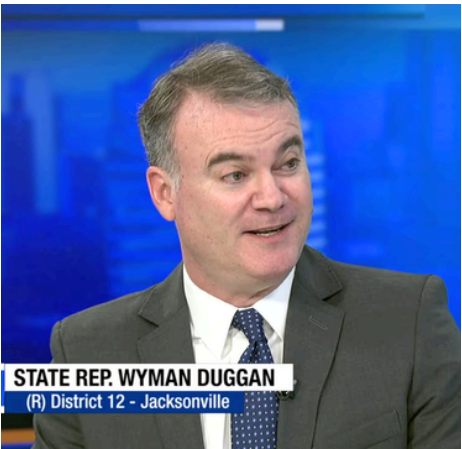
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Florida lawmaker pushes Project Leo after 2 children with autism drown in August

By: [Ashley French](#), News4JAX reporter



After two children with autism drowned in Jacksonville retention ponds this month alone, a state lawmaker is drawing attention to legislation that aims to help monitor children who may have communication difficulties and be at risk of wandering.

Sponsored by State Rep. Wyman Duggan (R-Jacksonville), the Florida program Project Leo, which provides free personal search-and-rescue devices to people at risk of wandering, is back in state law and funded under legislation that went into effect July 1.

The project, which was reenacted this summer after first becoming law in 2016 and later expiring, provides free personal search-and-rescue devices to people at risk of wandering, including children with autism.

The small, wearable trackers — typically worn on the wrist or ankle — use radio-frequency signals to help locate a missing person.

“What this is designed to do is provide those parents with a tracking device that is provided to them free of charge,” Duggan told News4Jax, “That way, if the child wanders and the parent can’t find them, they can immediately activate a tracking safety program through JSO that can help locate the child.”

The renewed focus on the program comes after two recent tragedies in Jacksonville. In early August, a 7-year-old boy wandered from his Northside home and was later found in a neighborhood pond. On Aug. 24, a 3-year-old girl was reported missing from a Northside townhome complex and was found in a nearby pond. Both children had wandered from home.

Duggan says The Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities, known as CARD, will determine who’s eligible for the device, but JSO will be responsible for distributing the device to the selected families.

“That way the telemetry from the device goes to JSO, and they can track the child,” Duggan said.

The program is named after Leo Walker, a boy with autism who wandered from his home in 2014 and drowned.

Florida has set aside \$1 million to fund the devices, which will be available at no cost to qualifying families through participating CARD centers and sheriff’s offices. Duggan said the state is currently distributing devices to the four CARD centers participating in the pilot program and expects them to become available to more families in the coming months.

The National Autism Association says nearly half of children with autism are at risk of wandering from a safe setting, and more than a third of those who wander are never or rarely able to tell anyone their name or address. The association reports accidental drowning accounts for 71% of deaths when a child with autism wanders, followed by traffic injuries at 18%.



988: Three Numbers That Are Strengthening Our Communities

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month—a time to remind our communities that connection, compassion and access to help can save lives. One of the most important resources available today is also one of the easiest to remember: **988**.

The **988** Suicide & Crisis Lifeline provides free, confidential support 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Anyone experiencing emotional distress, suicidal thoughts, a mental health or substance-use crisis—or simply feeling overwhelmed—can call or text **988** to connect with a trained crisis counselor. Chat support is also available online.

988 benefits communities by making help easier to access before a situation escalates. Crisis counselors listen, provide emotional support, help people develop a plan for staying safe and connect individuals with local resources when appropriate. Research cited by the Lifeline has found that callers report feeling less suicidal, depressed and overwhelmed—and more hopeful—after speaking with a counselor.

During Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, we can all help by knowing the number, sharing it and checking in on the people around us. **Call or text 988. Help is available. Hope is possible.**