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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Oct. 11, 2019



This week, I convened the first meeting of the Statewide Task Force on Opioid Abuse. Florida is losing 17 lives a day to the national opioid epidemic and this new task force will help the state better coordinate efforts to stop the destruction caused by addiction.

As Chair of the task force, I am committed to finding innovated approaches and best practices that can be implemented across Florida to save lives and help communities heal. Our 21-member team will focus on researching and assessing the nature of opioid drug abuse. We will also develop a statewide strategy to identify best practices to combat the opioid epidemic through education, treatment, prevention, recovery and law enforcement efforts.

Ahead of our inaugural meeting, my office launched a new statewide resource to help Floridians join in the fight. Dose of Reality is a one-stop shop of information about opioid addiction and resources for businesses, caregivers, educators, medical professionals, parents, seniors, students, veterans and others.

To visit the site, click [here](#).

Ending this crisis is crucial work, and the task force is an important weapon in the battle to stop substance abuse and save lives. From my very first day in office, I have made ending this crisis a top priority, and as Chair of this vital task force, I take seriously the responsibility of identifying proven strategies and innovative ideas that we can implement across our state.

Please join us on this important mission. Working together we can save lives and build a stronger, safer Florida.

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In The News

A/C repair company's elder fraud included charging an 89-year-old \$21,000, AG Moody says, Miami Herald

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Attorney General pressing investigation into Tampa Bay contractor, WFLA Tampa

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Ashley Moody visits Santa Rosa County to praise work of deputies, WEAR Pensacola

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SRSO 'four-legged heroes' earn Back the Blue awards for rescuing lost Pace toddler, Pensacola News Journal

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Santa Rosa County deputies and dogs get Back The Blue award, WKRG Pensacola

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Protecting Floridians



Attorney

General Ashley Moody announced a lawsuit against Air Time Air Conditioning and Heating, Inc. and its principal Anthony Gonzalez. Air Time allegedly deceived many consumers, including seniors, with high-priced quotes for unnecessary service or unneeded replacement of air conditioning systems or parts.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "It is outrageous that a company would swindle consumers with such deceitful business practices. Our office is committed to investigating allegations of illegal conduct and enforcing the laws that protect consumers. Taking advantage of unsuspecting seniors and other consumers will not be tolerated in Florida." [Read More](#)

Events

This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody convened the first meeting of the



Attorney General Moody speaking with reporters in the Cabinet Meeting Room at the first Statewide Task Force on Opioid Abuse meeting.



Attorney General Moody presenting Back the Blue awards to bloodhounds Copper and Zinc, along with their handlers—Santa Rosa County Sheriff Deputies Josh Chandler and Robert Lenzo. Copper and Zinc located a lost three-year-old boy in Santa Rosa County. To watch a short video of the award presentation, click below.

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Attorney General Moody announcing a recent retail theft investigation and arrest at the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office.



October is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month and Attorney General Moody met with Cyber Florida Director Sri Gubler and University of South Florida Dean of Cybersecurity for Florida and



Attorney General Moody in Washington D.C. meeting with Stacie Harris, the Department of Justice's National Coordinator for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, about ending human trafficking.

