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CHILD ID UNIT AND VERT
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Our mission is to safeguard the lives and property of the people and communities we serve, to reduce crime, and to enhance public safety while working with our diverse communities to improve their quality of life.

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Out and About
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The mission of the Volunteer Against Scams Team (VAST) is to advocate and assist citizens of Palm Beach County who have been targeted as victims of financial crimes, VAST core objectives include preventing additional victimization and providing assistance in recovering from crimes involving identity theft, fraud and other mainstream financial crimes.

The primary goal of VAST is to educate citizens to prevent scam victimization, provide information with regard to available resources and to “harden the target” against future financial victimization and loses.

VAST will come out to your community and do a presentation to further assist you and answer any questions you may have.

NEW MEMBERS

AUGUST
Richard Doctor
Donald Freed
Francisco Fuentes
James Gilbride
Antonio Izzo
Hans Kutter
Alberta McCarthy
Johnathan Morris
Charles Sanfratello
Jerome Small
Yuri Zilberberg

SEPTEMBER
Ian Bain
Richard Difusco
Rebecca Donovan-Bain
Seymour Goodman
Patrick Hidalgo
Joseph Hines
Mark Jaffie
Keith Johnson
Barry Lomove
Joan Schwartzman
Eileen Torricelli

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The Child ID unit spent their day at the Renaissance Charter School capturing fingerprints, height, weight, eye color, and pictures of 75 different children. This is a proactive measure to help authorities find missing children. The volunteers had a constant smile on their face and brought positive energy to the PreK-8 charter school!

CHOLEE LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Our volunteers raised money for a first grade classroom at Cholee Lake Elementary School.

Cholee Lake is a Title 1 school and Ms. Maffeo requested a little help for her classroom and her students.

RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL
ABCD AWARDS (ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY) AUGUST

Edgar Campos
Unit 76 – Child ID

Jacob Szpicek
Unit 29 – Marine

Jerry Cutler
Unit 269 – Victim Outreach
WAWA GRAND OPENING

The Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office Volunteers showed their support at the WAWA Grand Opening in Boynton Beach. For the first time ever, in just two minutes, 5 of our volunteers became sandwich artists and prepared 13 delicious sandwiches! Thank you volunteers for coming out and giving the Fire Rescue and PBSO Deputies a run for their money with these sandwiches!
Out and About
SAN CASTLE COMMUNITY EVENT

Residents from the San Castle community gathered together in their clubhouse so students could receive a backpack full of supplies for the school year. The children were very appreciative of the Volunteers taking time to hand out backpacks and hot dogs to the families in the community. Hundreds of backpacks were distributed which resulted in lots of smiles throughout the evening! Thank you, PBSO Volunteers!

BACK TO SCHOOL WALMART EVENT

As the school year approached, our Volunteers assembled at the local Walmart to gather school supplies for the many children in need. The Volunteers collected thousands of dollars’ worth of gift cards from many of the Palm Beach County communities and filled hundreds of backpacks with school supplies. The smiles on the children’s faces as they received these backpacks were unmatched. We couldn’t thank the Volunteers enough for the time and effort put into this project!
CHILD ID UNIT

The PBSO Volunteer Child Id Unit is often the public’s first contact with PBSO, these volunteers strive to make that first impression a positive one. Many unit members are retired teachers who have an ability to work well with special needs children. They provide and explain the information as to the Child ID and its benefits.

If a child is missing this is a proactive measure to help authorities find the missing child. Not only is the Volunteer Child ID unit capturing the fingerprints but they are also taking the child’s height, weight, eye color, and picture.

This unit has many talents and it does not end with just fingerprints. The unit shows up on a daily basis with a smile on their face and jovial attitude to all that they encounter. When Child ID is needed there has never been a time they were not right there ready to “work” and do what needs to be done to help our community in a time of need.

VERT

What is VERT called out to do?

• Vehicle accidents
• Downed power lines
• Traffic lights out
• Gas leaks
• Floods
• Post hurricane duties
• POTUS Escort Service
• School traffic control
• Lost on foot
• Project life savers

What does VERT do at a vehicle crash scene?

When we arrive at the scene, VERT relieves the deputies so they can do other things at other locations. We use the emergency lighting on our vehicles, put out traffic cones and use our traffic wands to close the road or direct traffic. VERT is last to leave the scene. After the tow trucks remove the vehicles, we open up the traffic lanes.
VOLUNTEER TODAY

The Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office established its volunteer program in 1989. It has grown to over 1,600 citizen volunteers, who immeasurably enhance our agency’s fundamental mission of strengthening communities, reducing crime, and improving the quality of life in our neighborhoods.

Join our award-winning organization where you can utilize your life skills, learn some new ones and be a part of the PBSO family.

For more information on volunteer opportunities or to make an appointment call (561) 433-2003.

You may also email us at Volunteer@PBSO.org

Calling all Veterans!

It will be our honor to recognize Volunteers who have served in the US Armed Forces. If you or someone in your unit is a veteran who should especially be honored in the Volunteer Services Newsletter, kindly write to volunteer@pbso.org and advise us. We will continue to reserve a special corner for our Veterans in the Volunteer Services Newsletter as we have in the past. Thank you.