

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Pasco Tax Collector Mike Fasano Announces that 100% of Employees Are Trained in Human Trafficking Awareness

As his commitment to putting an end to human trafficking, **Pasco Tax Collector Mike Fasano** announces that every active employee has completed extensive training in the recognition of human trafficking. The **Pasco County Tax Collector's Office** has become part of **Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody's** "100 Percent Club." This designation indicates that the agency has taken the proactive steps needed to train employees to recognize the signs of human trafficking and have been given the resources to report the indications to law enforcement.

"I applaud **Staff Development Manager Alicia Albanese** and her staff for putting in the hard work to ensure that all 229 active employees of the tax collector's office have been trained to recognize the red flags of this crime," **Tax Collector Mike Fasano** states. "Utilizing curriculum created by the **Florida Alliance to End Human Trafficking** we have taken the positive steps needed to make sure our employees are fully trained in spotting human trafficking in its many forms."

"Ending the scourge of human trafficking requires our community to be aware and engaged," remarks Sheriff Chris Nocco. "The Pasco Sheriff's Office applauds our partner, the Pasco County Tax Collector's Office, for their 100% completion in human trafficking awareness which will continue to assist law enforcement as we seek to end this heinous crime."

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