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## **Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - Oct. 20, 2023**



This week, we celebrated 25 years of our office's partnership with the Florida Association of Crime Stoppers to help fight crime. This has been an incredible partnership where we have worked together to help solve thousands of dangerous, complicated crimes and also provide much-needed answers to families about their loved ones.

Since 2011, more than \$12.6 million has been approved to go to tipsters for information that led to more than 42,700 arrests.

Our law enforcement officers do a great job keeping the peace and stopping criminals, but as you all know, they can't be everywhere at once. We can also do our part to report crime and have law enforcement's back.

Our communities are only as strong as we want to make them. When you are living in a free society, under a rule of law governed of the people, by the people and for the people, you have to have people participating in making our communities safe.

We have made great strides in the last several years to simplify and modernize anonymous reporting to encourage even more tipsters to come forward with pertinent information. We launched our anonymous crime reporting line, \*\*TIPS, in 2020. Instead of having to know which of the 27 regional numbers to call, someone wishing to report information about a crime now just has to dial this easy-to-remember number to be connected automatically. Since then, Crime Stoppers USA has modeled our initiative and taken it nationwide. We also nearly doubled the potential award money for tips that lead to solved murder cases—from \$5,000 to \$9,500!

While we have done much over the last quarter century, remember that our work is far from over. And now during these heightened times worldwide, we need the community's help to strengthen public safety. The FBI is experiencing increased reports of suspicious activity nationwide. So please, if you see something, say something. You can report suspicious activity to 1(855) FLA-SAFE or simply dial \*\*TIPS to report information anonymously.

By being aware of your surroundings and reporting crime, you can help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.

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## **In The News**

**Florida law enforcement officials discuss importance of tips from community in solving crimes, WESH Orlando**

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**AG Moody goes after Florida pool company accused of leaving customers high and dry, NBC 8 Tampa**

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**Florida attorney general sues owner of pool construction company arrested for ripping off dozens of customers, FOX 13 Tampa Bay**

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**Florida AG Moody urges campus police chiefs to show ‘zero tolerance’ to anti-Jewish hate crimes, FOX News**

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**Ashley Moody, Other State AGs Condemn Hamas Terrorist Attacks Against Israel, Florida Daily**

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**Florida AG Moody Urges Floridians To Report Suspicious Activity Amid Hamas Terror Attack, Tampa Free Press**

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**Ashley Moody Helps Secure Funds From ACI Worldwide Over Attempted Unauthorized Mortgage Payment Withdrawals, Florida Daily**

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## Protecting Floridians

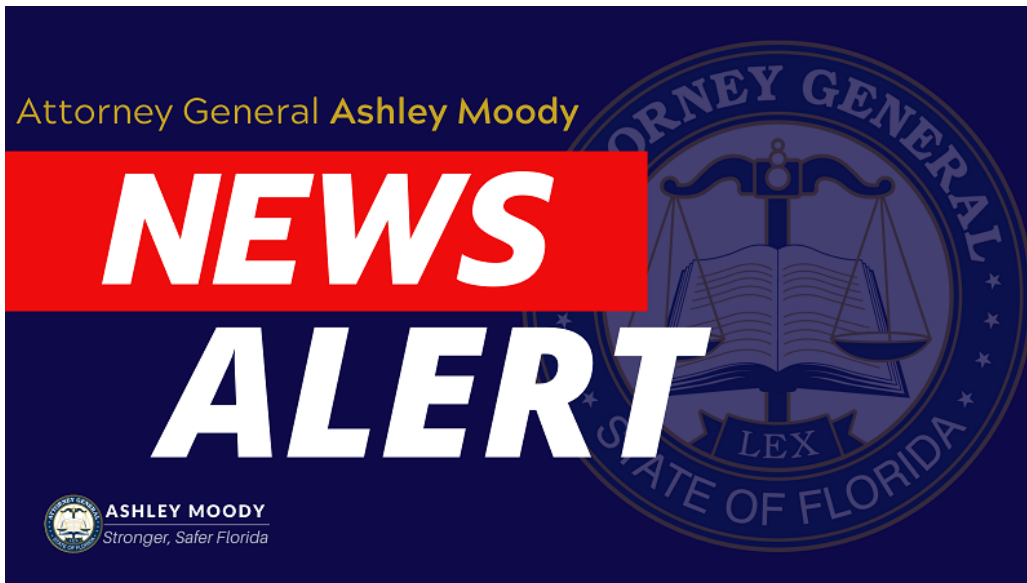
**Attorney General Moody Takes Action Against Gulf Coast Pool Company and Owner for Abandoned Jobs**



Attorney General Ashley Moody is taking legal action against a Gulf Coast pool company and its owner for taking large upfront payments from consumers and leaving jobs incomplete.

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**Attorney General Moody Secures \$10 Million from ACI Worldwide Over Attempted Unauthorized Mortgage Payment Withdrawals**



The payout comes after Attorney General Moody and 49 other attorneys general finalized an agreement with ACI Worldwide over a 2021 testing error.

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**VIDEO: Attorney General Moody Asks Floridians to Report Suspicious Activity This National Crime Prevention Month**



During National Crime Prevention Month, Attorney General Ashley Moody is urging Floridians to take a stand against crime and report suspicious activity.

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**AG Moody's Statewide Prosecutors Secure Seven-Year Sentence and \$300,000 Restitution Order for Leader of an Organized Retail Theft Ring Dealing in Stolen TVs from Walmart**

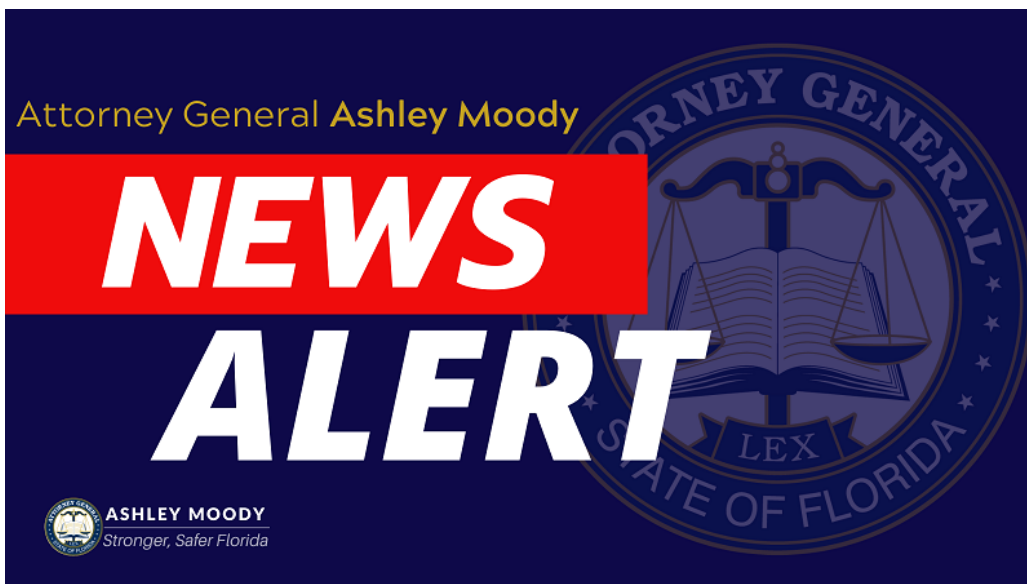


Attorney General Ashley Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution secured a seven-and-a-half-year prison sentence and a \$300,000 restitution order for the ringleader of an organized retail theft ring.

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**AG Moody Urges University Police Departments to Enforce the Law and Protect Jewish Students from Hate Crimes and Violence**





Following the barbaric terrorist attacks by Hamas and expressions of support for these atrocities on college campuses, Attorney General Ashley Moody is calling for a zero-tolerance policy for hate crimes.

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## Events

This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody encouraged Floridians to play an active role in reporting crime and recognized the 25-year partnership working with the Florida Association of Crime Stoppers.

