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# Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - Jan. 10, 2025

This week, we released the latest state data on our fight to end the opioid crisis in Florida. According to the <u>Florida Department of Law Enforcement's 2023 Drugs</u> <u>Identified in Deceased Persons by Florida Medical Examiners Report</u>, Florida experienced an 11% decrease in fentanyl occurrences and a 10% decrease in opioidrelated deaths – well ahead of the national average decline of 2% during that same time frame.

Additionally, <u>recent provisional data from the Centers for Disease Control and</u> <u>Prevention</u> shows a more than 17% decrease in drug overdose deaths in Florida from July 2023 to June 2024 – highlighting that the state continues to trend in the right direction.

This is encouraging news. Florida is fighting hard to stop the flow of Mexican fentanyl into our state. Law enforcement officers are on the front lines of this fight,

and we are finding innovative ways to target fentanyl traffickers and rescue people who overdose – putting them on a path to recovery.

However, far too many people continue to die preventable deaths, and we will continue fighting to put drug traffickers in prison and help people struggling with substance abuse find resources.

Opioids continue to kill thousands of Floridians every year. So please, never use illicit substances—just one pill can kill. If you are struggling with addiction, now is the time to get help. Visit <u>TreatmentAtlas.org</u> to find specialized care near you, and for more information about our efforts to combat the opioid epidemic, visit <u>DoseOfRealityFL.com</u>.

Stay Safe, Florida.

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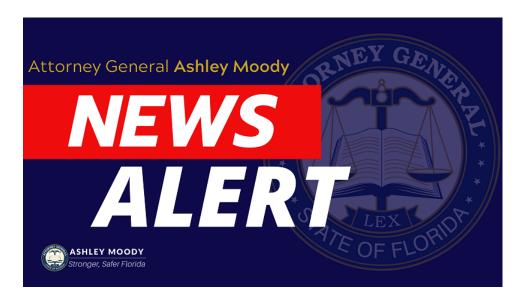
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## **Events**

This week, Attorney General Moody keynoted the Florida Police Chiefs Association Mid-Winter Training Conference in Orlando on how law enforcement's vital work is making Florida stronger and safer.



Attorney General Moody joining Nominee for U.S. Attorney General Pam Bondi to administer the oath of office for State Attorney Suzy Lopez for Florida's 13th Judicial Circuit during an investiture ceremony in Tampa.



Attorney General Moody emceeing the swearing in of Polk County constitutional officers, including Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd, at the Polk State College Center for Public Safety Administration in Winter Haven.



Attorney General Moody presenting a Back the Blue Award to the Lake County Sheriff's Office School Resource Unit, along with LCSO Deputy Erica Stamborski and her K-9 companion Samba, the nation's first vape-detecting K-9.



Attorney General Moody detailing results from the Florida Medical Examiners Drugs Identified in Deceased Persons Report, alongside Lake County Sheriff Peyton Grinnell and Florida Department of Law Enforcement Commissioner Mark Glass.

