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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Dec. 18, 2020



As the proud wife of a law enforcement officer, I understand the incredible responsibility and sacrifice it takes for the brave men and women who uphold the oath to protect and serve. In many cases, officers need to think and respond within a moment's notice, putting their lives in harm's way to save others from a grim fate.

This week, I presented Pasco County Sheriff's Deputy Noah Yanzer with a Back the Blue Award for his courageous and quick actions rescuing a family from a house fire last month.

On Nov. 7, while beginning an early morning shift, Deputy Yanzer responded to a dispatch call reporting a nearby house fire.

He immediately rushed to the scene and was met with surrounding powerlines catching fire and multiple homes engulfed in flames. Upon arrival, Deputy Yanzer sprang into action and immediately began escorting residents away from the flames to safety.

Without his courageous efforts, this situation may have taken a much darker turn.

At one point, Deputy Yanzer approached a woman in her driveway unable to retrieve her dog from the raging fire. He safely escorted the woman to safety and then went in to rescue the dog.

Deputy Yanzer rescued all residents and pets from the flames before firefighters arrived to extinguish the fires.

Deputy Yanzer is the 30th recipient of our Back the Blue Award since the program's inception in 2019.

To nominate a law enforcement officer, citizen or organization for a Back the Blue Award, or for more information about Attorney General Moody's Back the Blue campaign, click [here](#).

Thank you, Deputy Yanzer, for your bravery under pressure and willingness to risk your own safety to rescue others. You are a hero. With officers like you who serve valiantly across our state, we will continue building a Stronger, Safer Florida.



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