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Fort Pierce Police Go High Tech to Search for Missing Children

Fort Pierce- Fort Pierce Police Chief R. Sean Baldwin has formalized an agreement with “A Child Is Missing” alert program that has led to a high tech method now in place to search locally for missing children, missing elderly (often with Alzheimer’s), college students, and missing persons who may be mentally or physically challenged or disabled.

Upon receipt of a missing person call, the Fort Pierce Police will now make their first phone call to a toll free number that rings in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. This call, answered 24/7, 365 by a technician at “A Child is Missing,” initiates a rapid process of information gathering and sophisticated mapping systems which expedites thousands of phone calls within minutes with a customized recorded message detailing the missing persons description and last known whereabouts. The message will also include a Fort Pierce Police Department phone number to be called by anyone who has information regarding the location of the missing person.

A Child Is Missing is a nationwide non-profit organization that helps law enforcement agencies locate missing children, missing elderly (often suffering from Alzheimer’s), college students, and missing persons who are mentally or physically challenged or disabled. “A Child is Missing” utilizes sophisticated computer mapping systems and trained technicians with the capacity to place 1,000 alert phone calls in one minute to residents and businesses in the area where someone has gone missing. As of January 9, 2007, the efforts of “A Child Is Missing” have been credited with 193 safe recoveries.

To register your unpublished home or cell phone number, visit www.achildismissing.org.