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Trauma Agency and Trauma Hawk participate in Shattered Dreams



On April 7, more than 750 Palm Beach Central High School seniors got a firsthand look at how Palm Beach County's integrated Trauma System responds to a traumatic car crash.

The Health Care District's Trauma Agency & Trauma Hawk participated in Shattered Dreams, a pre-prom demonstration that educates Palm Beach County students on the dangers of distracted and drunk driving. The event began with an indoor presentation that educates students on the

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importance of safe driving behaviors.



Students then gathered at the school's athletic field, where a car crash re-enactment, acted out by Palm Beach Central's Drama Club, drove home the consequences of driving while drunk or distracted.



The demonstration culminated in one of the Health Care District's two Trauma Hawk aeromedical helicopters landing on the field, ready to transport the "critically-injured patient" to one of Palm Beach County's two Level 1 Trauma Centers: St. Mary's Medical Center and Delray Medical Center.



The event was a collaborative effort with many of the Health Care District's community partners, including [Dori Saves Lives](#), [St. Mary's Medical Center](#), [Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office](#) and [Palm Beach County Fire Rescue](#). Additional Shattered Dreams pre-prom demonstrations will take place at schools throughout Palm Beach County through the middle of May.

[Watch the story on WPBF 25 News.](#)



Earlier in the same week, the Shattered Dreams demonstration was presented to students at Inlet Grove High School in Riviera Beach.

This year Palm Beach County's nationally-recognized Trauma System, which is funded and overseen by the Health Care District, is marking its 25th year of successful operation.

Since May 1, 1991, more than 64,000 traumatically injured patients have been treated at one of Palm Beach County's two Level 1 Trauma Centers and returned back home to live and work in their communities.

Over the past 25 years, the highly-trained and skilled professionals in the District's Aeromedical Program have provided and supported safe and efficient air transport services and care to more than 14,500 traumatically-injured patients.

For more information about the Trauma System, visit www.TraumaHawk.org.

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Date: September 25, 2024

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