1. The Pasco Sheriff’s office is STILL targeting adults and children.

2. The Sheriff’s Office can label an adult or child a “prolific offender” even if that person has not been convicted of a crime.

3. The Pasco County School District continues to allow the Sheriff’s Office to access student data despite community concerns about how the Sheriff’s Office may be using that data.

4. Pasco County School District is under investigation by the U.S. Department of Education for their data sharing practices with the Sheriff’s Office.

5. Local, state, and national media have covered this story, including the Tampa Bay Times, Vice News, Forbes, and NBC.
The Sheriff is sending out this letter to inform some people that they have been enrolled, without their consent, in the Sheriff’s “Prolific Offender Program.”

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Greetings,

We are pleased to inform you that you have been selected to participate in the Prolific Offender Program run by the Pasco Sheriff’s Office in cooperation with the Department of Justice Strategies for Policing Innovation Initiative. This program provides you with an opportunity to work with Community Partners who will work with you to conquer barriers that have hindered you in your life’s journey. Ultimately, the goal of this program is to empower you to live a lawful, productive and fulfilled life.

Our desire to help you will not hinder us from holding you fully accountable for your actions and actions. Effective today, your name and criminal history will be shared with local, state, and federal law enforcement entities and prosecutors. This includes the local State Attorney’s Office, the United States Attorney’s Office, FDLE, Parole and Probation, FBI, Homeland Security, ATF, DEA and other entities who have the ability to ensure the highest level of accountability for all current and future criminal acts you commit.

You may wonder why you were enrolled in this program. You were selected as a result of an evaluation of your recent criminal behavior using an unbiased, evidence-based risk assessment designed to identify prolific offenders in our community. As a result of this designation, we will go to great efforts to encourage change in your life through enhanced support and increased accountability. If you refrain from criminal activity over the next two years, your Prolific Offender designation will be removed.

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