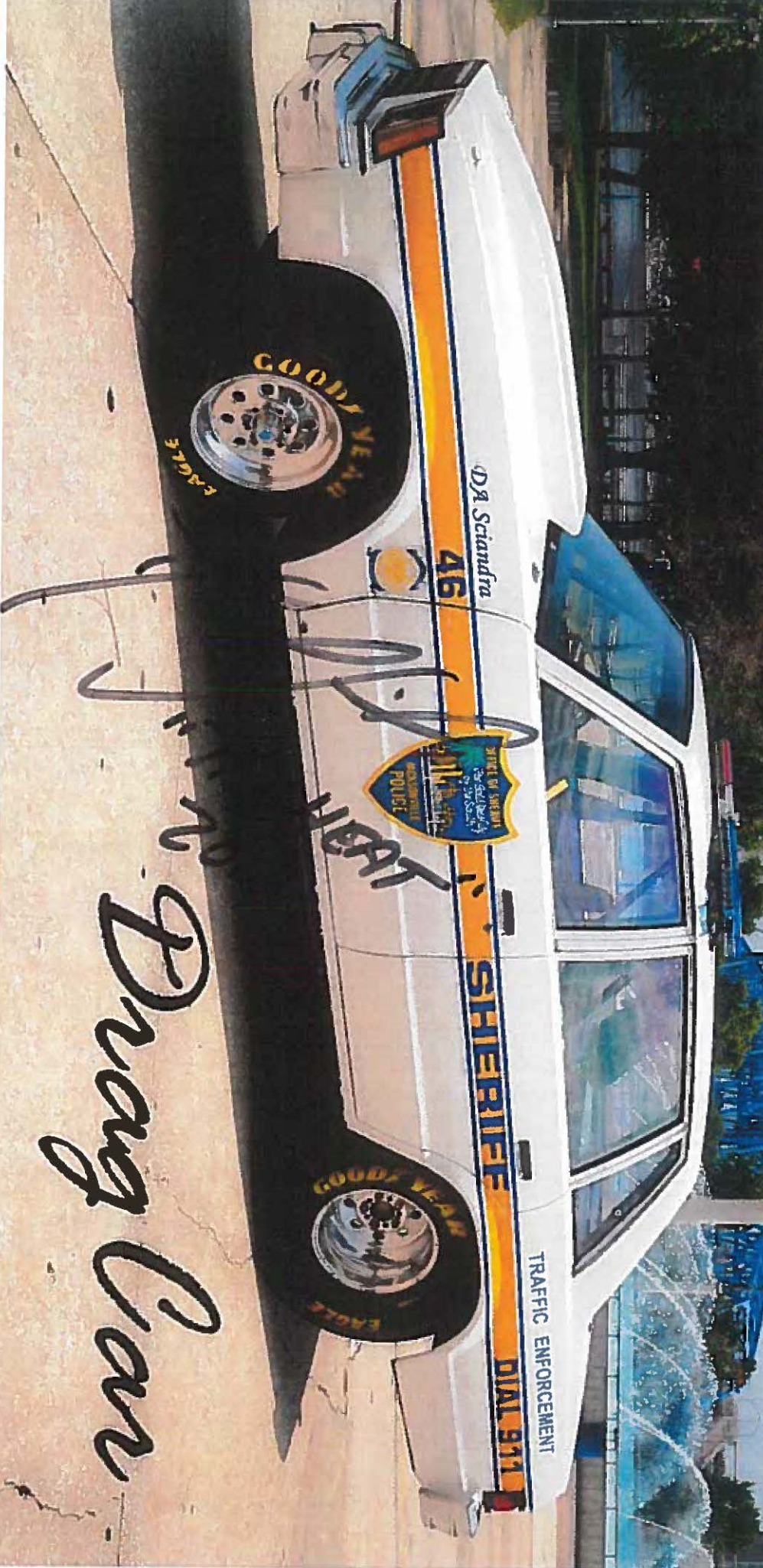


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The Original

BEAT THE HEAT



*Beat the Heat
Dodge Stratus
Patrol Car*

THE PROGRAM

The original "Beat the Heat" Safety and Education program was started by Sergeant Don Robertson of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office in 1984. Sgt. Robertson drove a 1979 Chevrolet Malibu patrol car. With help from many sponsors, Robertson remodeled the car into THE HEAT, a racetrack certified drag car, to address the issue of illegal street racing.

The car was originally used as a visual aid in programs and displays at high schools, military bases, and public and civic organizations in the Jacksonville area, as a part of JSO's education on the issue.

Robertson proposed the idea of working with young adults at sanctioned drag racing events. The program became known as "Beat the Heat." Since 1984, the concept of "Beat the Heat" has spread through out the country.

Today, the goal of the "Beat the Heat" Safety and Education Program is two-fold. First and foremost, to educate young adults about the very real dangers of reckless, high-speed driving and underage alcohol use. Second, to provide an opportunity for police officers and youths to work together and develop positive relationships.

For more information or to sign up for a "Beat the Heat" Safety and Education presentation please contact
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To learn where the "Beat the Heat" drag car will be on display, please visit
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THE CAR

1979 Chevrolet Malibu 9CI police package; 4-dr. sedan; Alston Race Car Engineering roll-cage.

Engine

Small block Chevy 408 cu. in., 12.5:1 compression ratio; Holly 750 dbf. pumper; Edelbrock aluminum heads; Mallory Unilite Ignition, MSD Gal & 2 Step; Moroso electric waterpump drive and valve covers.

Transmission

Turbo-Action 2 Speed Powerglide;
Turbo-Action Cheetah SCS shifter and converter.

Differential

12 bolt Chevy 4.88:1 Zoom gears; Strange Engineering axles; spool & safety hubs

Tires & Wheels

Weld polished aluminum wheels;
32.0 x 14.5-15 Good Year Eagles;
26.0 x 4.5-15 Good Year Eagles

Brakes

Wildwood disc brakes

POLICE OFFICER DAVID SCIADRA

At the request of Sheriff John H. Rutherford, Police Officer David Sciadra rejuvenated the "Beat the Heat" Safety and Education Program" for the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office.

Off. Sciadra is a 15

year veteran and has served in Patrol and on the Zone 3 Task Force. He is also an award winning member of the Motor Unit.

Achievements

- 2006 Southeast Police Motorcycle Rodeo Coral Springs, Fla., 5th place recipient
- 2008 Capital City Challenge Law Enforcement Motorcycle Rodeo Competition Tallahassee, Fla.
 - 1st place in the Fun Run, and
 - 2nd place in the Challenge Ride.
- 2008 Harley-Davidson 105th Anniversary Police Motor Skills Competition Overall Winner, Milwaukee, WI. He competed against more than 100 competitors from around the United States, Canada, and France and won a 2008 Harley-Davidson police motorcycle.
- 2009 Southeast Police Motorcycle Rodeo, Coral Springs, Fla, 1st place winner in his division, overall, and the JSO Motor Unit placed first overall.

