THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MEDIA ADVISORY
POLICE DEPARTMENT

SENT: October 7, 2008

What: Juvenile Truancy Sweep

When: Tuesday, October 7, 2008 between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Where: City of San Diego - Citywide

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On Tuesday, October 7, 2008, the San Diego Police Department, along with other agencies, will conduct a citywide juvenile truancy sweep. The goal of the sweep is to reduce juvenile victimization, ensure students stay in school and to educate parents and students on the consequences and potential risks to kids when they are truant.

Additionally, recent crimes have involved juveniles as suspects and also as victims. This sweep will attempt to address the issue of juveniles in violation of truancy and the daytime loitering law – and by extension, prevent them from committing crimes or becoming the victims of crimes.

Information on truancy and the daytime loitering law can be found at the following link: http://www.sandiego.gov/police/about/juvlaw.shtml.

A juvenile processing center will be set up in the parking lot of Qualcomm Stadium at 9449 Friars Rd, Section M1. Parents will have the opportunity to pick up their children at this location, if necessary.

Media are invited to Qualcomm Stadium beginning at 11 a.m. Please keep in mind that juveniles are the target of this sweep and their faces cannot be broadcast on television or on internet news sites.

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