

San Diego County Crime Stoppers

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Fugitive of the Week

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers, working with the San Diego Regional Fugitive Task Force, continue their weekly fugitive apprehension program for the County of San Diego.

There are approximately 18,000 outstanding warrants for suspects who have committed felony crimes in the County of San Diego. Every Friday, San Diego County Crime Stoppers will send a news release identifying a high profile fugitive wanted for a serious felony crime. We strongly encourage all San Diego news media outlets to feature this fugitive during their Friday and weekend news broadcasts and publications.

This Week's Fugitive: Ricardo Persona is wanted by the Regional Fugitive Task Force for sexual assault; he has a million dollar warrant for continuous sexual abuse of a child. Persona was working as a school teacher in the San Ysidro School District. His victims were females (all known to him) between the ages of 10 and 16 years old.

Fugitive Description: Hispanic male, 49-years-old, 5'4" tall, medium build, black hair and brown eyes.

A picture of the fugitive can be found on page 2 of this release.

The San Diego Regional Fugitive Task Force is asking anyone with information on the location of this fugitive to call the **Crime Stoppers** anonymous toll-free tip line at (888) 580-TIPS. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to the arrest of this fugitive.

Media inquiries about the fugitive program or the fugitive profiled this week can be directed to either Deputy Adriana Uribe at (619) 531-1547 or Officer Jim Johnson at (619) 531-1500.

For information leading to an arrest, you could receive up to a \$1,000 reward and remain sconymous. The qualification of any person(s) for the reward and the amount of the reward for any person(s) so qualifying will be determined by San Diego County Crime Stoppers, Inc. in its sole discretion. The amount of all rewards given shall not exceed \$1,000. Information must be received on the lip live, (888) \$80-TTPS.

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