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FUGITIVE SEX OFFENDER ROUND-UP

More than 50 Fugitive Sex Offenders to be Profiled Next Week

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During the week of October 11-15, **San Diego County Crime Stoppers** will partner with local, state, and federal agencies to profile more than 50 wanted sex offenders who are thought to be in the San Diego County area. The goal of the **Fugitive Sex Offender Round-Up** is to locate, apprehend, and prosecute convicted sex offenders who are out of compliance with probation, parole, have failed to register as a sex offender, or currently wanted on new charges.

Each day during the Round-Up, Crime Stoppers will send out a press release with names, photos, and descriptions of at least 10 suspects who are wanted by local, state and federal agencies. We encourage the media to profile these suspects on newscasts and websites with the goal of getting tips from the public. We will highlight several of the 10 suspects each day to help narrow the focus for those media outlets that are unable to profile every fugitive. The public can make anonymous tips about the suspects through Crime Stoppers three tip lines (phone, text, and web) and rewards of up to \$1,000 will be offered for information that leads to an arrest.

This project was conceptualized through an on-going partnership between Crime Stoppers and State Parole. Other agencies were invited to include suspects who are wanted in their jurisdictions. All of these suspects will be profiled on Crime Stoppers website until they are apprehended.

This month alone, Crime Stoppers paid out rewards on 4 fugitive sex offenders. Crime Stoppers expects to increase apprehensions dramatically through this effort. The media's partnership is crucial to the Round-Up's success.

Crime Stoppers will pay rewards of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to a felony arrest. Crime Stoppers' anonymous tip line number is (888) 580-8477. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent in via <u>www.sdcrimestoppers.com</u>.

• Media inquiries about the Fugitive Sex Offender Round-Up can be made to Sally Cox at 858-603-9810, Officer Jim Johnson at 619-531-1500 or Deputy Adriana Uribe at 619-531-1547.

For information leading to an arrest, you could receive up to a \$1,000 reward and remain anonymous. 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 tip line, (888) 580-8477.