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Sexual Predator Program

The Mission of the California Bureau of Investigation (CBI) Sexual Predator Program is to assist local law enforcement agencies in the monitoring and investigation of California's registered sexual offenders, in order to insure the integrity of the Megan's Law database, and to protect California's citizens.

The Sexual Predator Program will conduct proactive investigations independently and in cooperation with other law enforcement agencies designed to identify, locate, and arrest sexual predators who prey on unsuspecting victims; thereby, saving them from the emotional, physical, and potentially deadly consequences associated with sexual assault and molestation.

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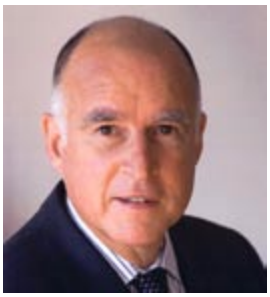

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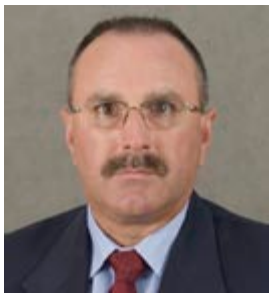

This report documents the activities and successes of the California Bureau of Investigation (CBI) Sexual Predator Program for the years 2005-2006.

During 2005 and 2006, the California Bureau of Investigation Sexual Predator Program, in partnership with federal and local law enforcement, apprehended thousands of violent sexual predators across California. Under the program, the California Department of Justice:

- Participated in Sexual Predator Apprehension Teams (SPAT) which located and arrested sexual predators across California;
- Served as Task force Commanders for Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) forces to enforce state sex offender laws;
- Led federal Safe Street Task Forces which investigated, in partnership with the FBI, child exploitation on the Internet.

A total of 1,875 sexual offenders were arrested in California between January 2005 and December 2006.

In November 2006, CBI and the U.S. Attorney's Office launched Project Safe Childhood to investigate and prosecute sex offenders who violated California's registration requirements. The project established a successful protocol for state and federal officials to coordinate the prosecution of these offenders.

Despite these tough enforcement operations, children are still targets for exploitation and violence. The Department of Justice will continue to build upon these successful programs and work with local law enforcement in the fight against violent sexual predators.

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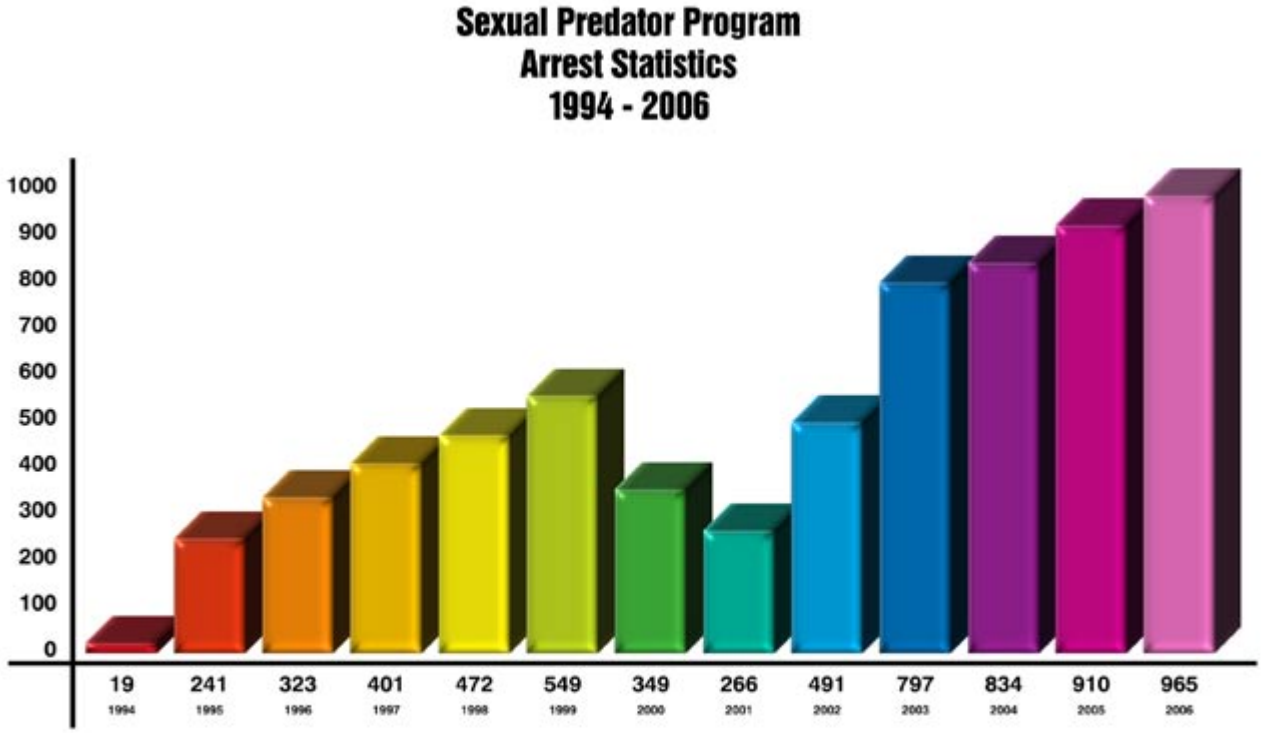
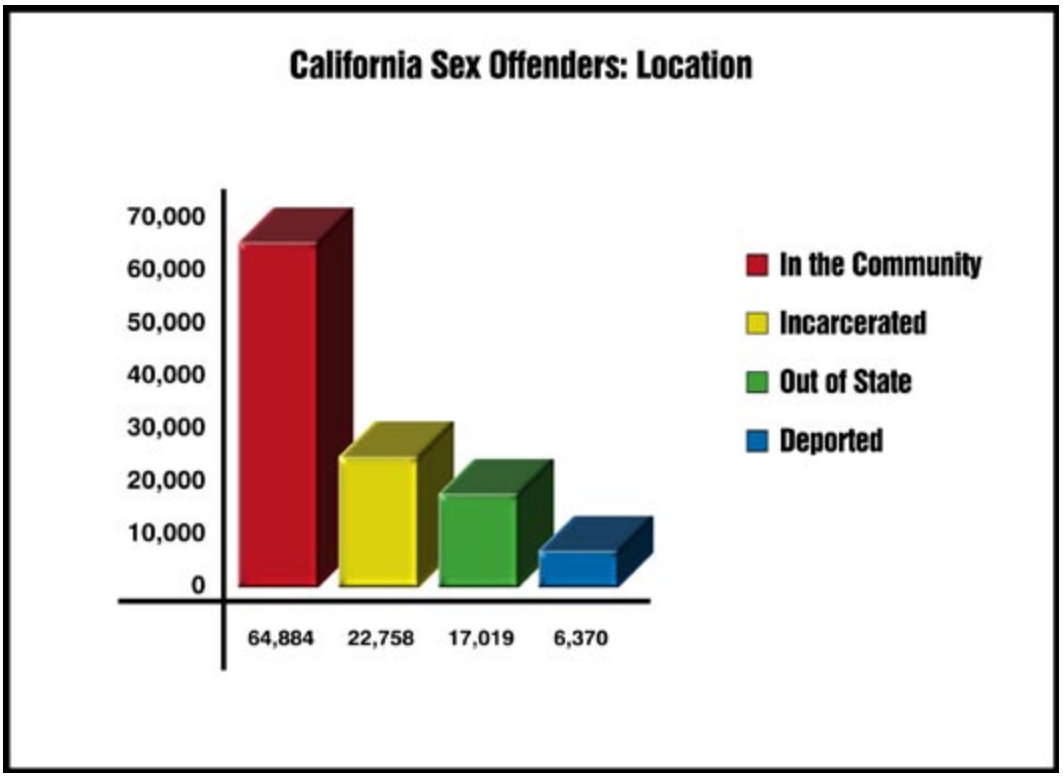
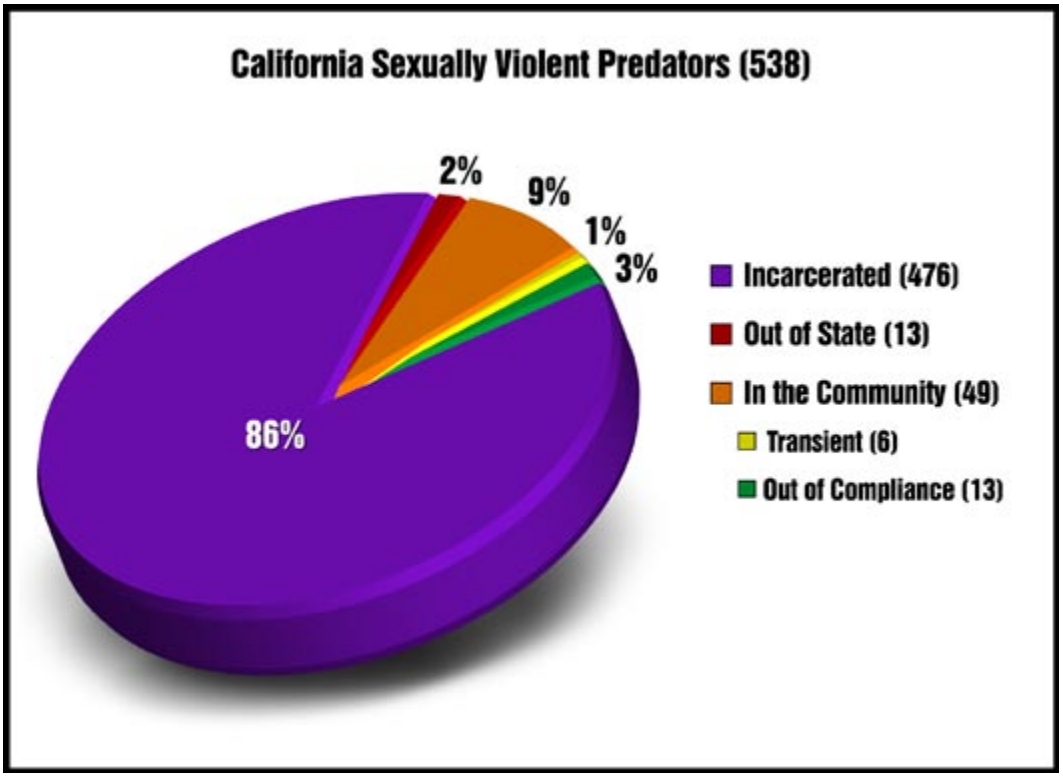


Total Arrests since 1994 = 6,617

Caseload Information	Total
Cases Opened	2478
Cases Closed	2439
Enforcement Activities	**Total**
Compliance Checks	6971
Parole/Probation/Consent Searches	4278
Assist to Outside Agency	2272
Surveillances	1335
Attempted Warrant Service	435
Arrest Warrants Issued – State	412
Arrest Warrants Issued – Federal	23
Search Warrants Issued/Executed	345
Total Arrests	1875
Undercover Operations (Field, Internet, Telephone)	332
Sex Registrant Disclosures to Citizen/Public – 290.45 PC	306
Notice of Registration Requirements	131
DNA Collection	77
Training Provided and Public Events	**Total**
Training/Education Presentations	158
Number of Attendees at Training/Education Presentations	5794
Public Events	54
Number of Attendees at Public Events	1599





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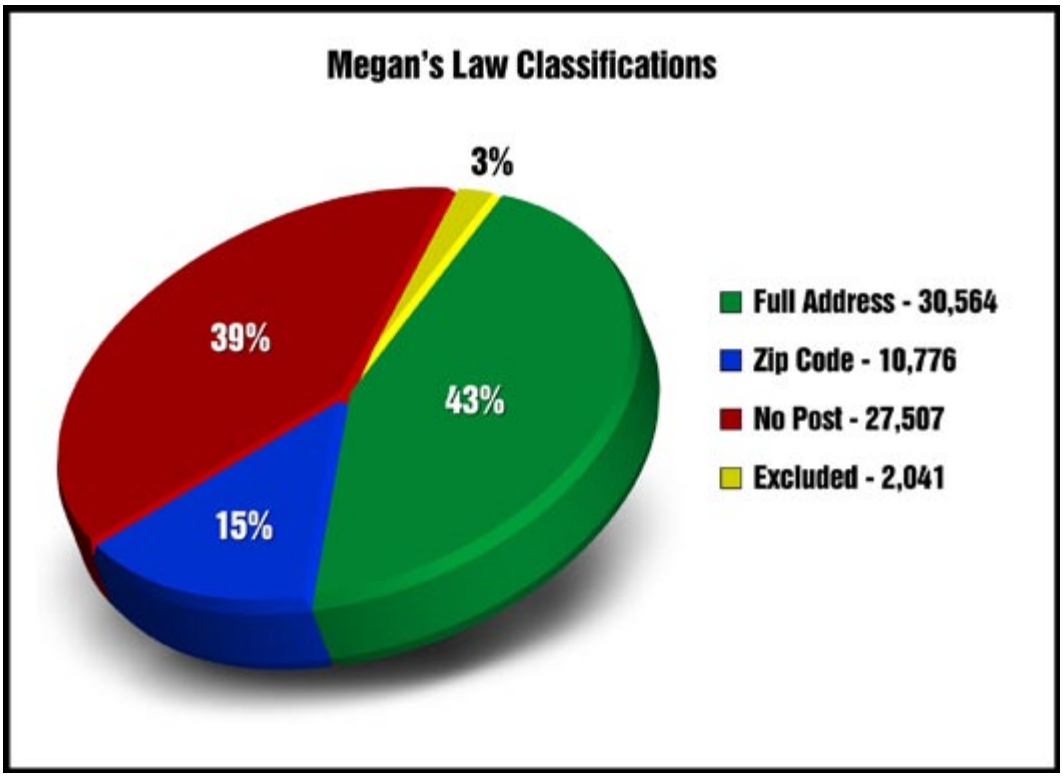

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1) **Full Address Disclosure:** The conviction of certain sex offenses (crimes against children under 14, use of force/in-concert crimes, multiple sexual assault convictions, and sexually violent predator) requires that the home address of the offender be disclosed, along with other information about the registrant.

2) **Zip Code Disclosure:** The conviction of certain other sex offenses (sexual assault crimes against adults, assault with intent to commit sexual assault, sexual assault with incapacitated person, and enticement of children under 18 for prostitution) requires that information about the offender, including his or her ZIP Code and other information, but not including the home address, be disclosed.

3) **No Post/Excluded:** The conviction of non-disclosure offenses (misdemeanor child molest/annoy or molest, indecent exposure or child pornography, statutory rape-type offenses, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, juvenile adjudication, moved out of state or deported, and granted exclusion by DOJ) requires no disclosure, but must still register as sex offenders with local law enforcement agencies.

Sexual Predator Apprehension Teams (SPAT)

The California Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Sexual Predator Apprehension Teams (SPAT) are operational in the Sacramento, San Francisco, Fresno and Los Angeles Regional Offices. SPAT currently provide the following services to state, federal, and local law enforcement agencies upon request:

- Coordination of multi-jurisdictional enforcement efforts.
- Sex offender tracking and monitoring.
- Coordination of sex offender surveillance and specialized surveillance equipment.
- Immediate response to and investigative assistance in child abductions.
- Criminal Investigative Analyst support to local agencies in tracking and monitoring sex offenders and suspected serial crimes.
- Liaison with Department of Justice Sex Offender Tracking Program.
- Coordination with the Department of Justice, Bureau of Forensic Services, including DNA analysis.
- Criminal profiling services available from the Criminal Investigative Profiling Unit.
- Participation in multi-jurisdictional task forces, such as SAFE Task Forces and Sate Streets Task Forces, dedicated to the enforcement of sex offender compliance laws.

Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement Task Forces (SAFE)

In 1994, the California Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and local law enforcement developed the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) Task Force to respond to the growing number of sexual assaults, child molestation, and child exploitation within jurisdictions. Local law enforcement agencies contributed personnel, equipment, facility space, and monies from their available resources.

CBI assigns a Special Agent Supervisor as a Task Force Commander, with the approval of the Task Force Boards, and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is signed by all agencies participating in the task forces.

The CBI Regional Offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego participate in the SAFE Task Forces. These task forces cooperate with other agencies and provide an excellent exchange of information. The result is that predators are often apprehended through the joint efforts of these task forces. The services generally provided by the SAFE Task Forces include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Enforcement of predatory sex offenders who are identified by the California Department of Justice and the SAFE crime analysts as sexual habitual offenders and sexual predators.
- Improve communication between law enforcement agencies relative to sexual predators through contact with agency designees and enforcement activities conducted and executed by the task force personnel.
- Track the activities of known sexual predators through records and database research.
- Conduct short-term, proactive surveillance of predatory sex offenders.
- Ensure that registered sex offenders are in compliance with current laws and use parole/probation restrictions as a tool when applicable.
- Provide investigative and analytical assistance in serial sexual crimes through personnel support and database queries in unsolved sexual assaults to develop possible suspect leads.

Federal Safe Streets Task Forces

In 1996 and 2003, the California Bureau of Investigation partnered with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the Federal Safe Streets Task Forces in Los Angeles and Sacramento. The Federal Safe Streets Task Forces are a sub-component of the Violent Gangs, Fugitive and Sexual Predators (VGFSP) Safe Streets Task Force, and targets those individuals or groups who exploit children in the form of child pornography, child prostitution, child sex tourism, child abduction, online child sexual exploitation, and any other form of child exploitation. Federal Safe Streets is comprised of multi-agency task forces and is operationally supervised by CBI Task Force Commanders. The Task Force Commanders ensure appropriate target identification, investigative technique selection, assignment of personnel, and overall case management. The objectives of the Federal Safe Streets Task Forces include:

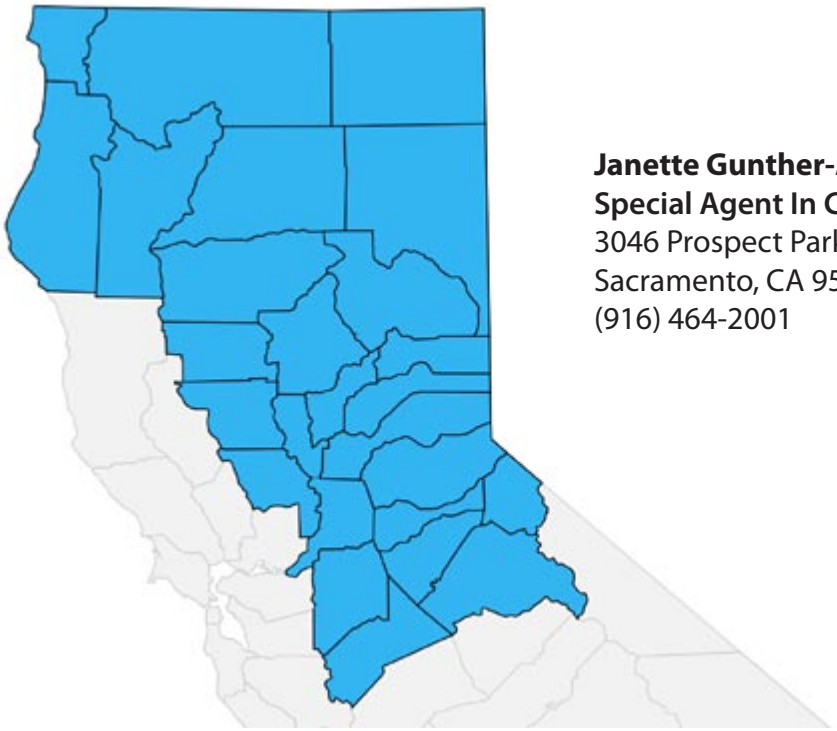
- Conducting investigations into child exploitation to reduce the prevalence of acts of sexual exploitation, that are facilitated through the use of the Internet.

- Identify, apprehend, and prosecute those responsible for committing acts of child exploitation.

The personnel assigned to these task forces are cross-deputized by the United States Marshal and service an area designated as the Eastern and Central Districts of California.

The Federal Safe Streets Task Forces are a partnership between: CBI, FBI, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern and Central Districts of California, U.S. Postal Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and local law enforcement.

Sacramento Regional Office



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In September 1998, the California Department of Justice, Sacramento Regional Office, established a Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT).

The Regional Office encompasses 26 northern and coastal counties. They include: Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, and Yuba.

The combined land area for this regional office is 51,664 square miles, with a population of 4,400,000. As of March 21, 2007, there were 11,726 registered sex offenders in this region.

The Sacramento Regional Office has a Special Agent Supervisor who is assigned to SPAT's statewide Violent Crime Profiling Unit (VCPU). VCPU provides behavioral science expertise to the Department of Justice, Division of Law Enforcement bureaus, local law enforcement agencies, and state and federal prosecutors throughout the State of California. The Special Agent Supervisor provides on-site investigative assistance with homicides, sexual assaults, child molestation, child abduction, and missing persons. The Criminal Profiler provides insight regarding unknown offenders in order to expedite their identification and arrest, as well as crime scene analysis and

reconstruction, indirect personality assessments, and interview and trial strategies regarding identified perpetrators.

The Sacramento Regional Office has two polygraph examiners who make up CBI's Polygraph Program. As a component of the Sacramento SPAT unit, the Polygraph Program provides assistance to law enforcement agencies throughout California by administering polygraph examinations and conducting interrogations in sex crime investigations. The polygraph examiners expedite investigations by obtaining confessions, eliminating innocent persons as suspects, and verifying statements of witnesses. They routinely appear in court as expert witnesses during the prosecution of major crimes.

The Sacramento Valley Federal Safe Streets Task Force continued operations in the CBI Sacramento Regional Office. This task force encompasses the Sacramento Valley region and the Eastern District of California. These areas include the counties of: Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, Glenn, Colusa, Butte, Sierra, Sutter, Yuba, Yolo, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Amador, Calaveras, Alpine, Mono, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus, Madera, Fresno, Inyo, Tulare, Kings, and Kern.

During 2005-2006, the following county, state, and federal law enforcement agencies participated in the Sacramento Valley Federal Safe Streets Task Force:

- Sacramento Police Department
- Sacramento County District Attorney's Office
- California Bureau of Investigation (CBI)
- United States Postal Inspector's Office
- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)
- United States Attorney's Office

From January 2005 through December 2006, the Sexual Predator Programs within the Sacramento Regional Office arrested 131 offenders. The following chart details a total of 200 offenses for which these individuals were arrested.

Sacramento Regional Office	2005	2006
Parole/Probation Violation	19	18
Failure to Register	27	23
Child Molest/Sexual Assault (Juvenile Victim)	24	9
Child Pornography	32	12
Rape/Sexual Assault (Adult Victim)	0	0
Indecent Exposure	0	0
Immigration Violation	0	0
Narcotic Violation	6	1
Weapons Violation	0	3
Other	17	9
Total Offenses	**125**	**75**

Significant Cases - Sacramento SPAT

Prominent Businessman Provides Methamphetamine in Exchange for Sex

In December 2005, the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force contacted Sacramento SPAT and requested investigative assistance after receiving reliable information that a suspect had child pornography on the hard drive of his computer at his residence. The suspect, a prominent businessman, was living in a 6,000 square foot residence in Folsom known as "the mansion". The home stood out as both a dream house and a neighborhood nightmare. Neighbors complained of around-the-clock parties and drug use.

Sacramento SPAT agents, assisted by agents and officers with the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force, executed a search warrant at this residence. Several items were seized, including a laptop computer, several plastic baggies containing methamphetamine and hundreds of hypodermic needles. The males in the house told agents that the suspect provided them methamphetamine in exchange for sex. The suspect and three of the males were arrested on drug charges. The suspect was later convicted of possession of a controlled substance and was sentenced to three years searchable probation and 15 days in the county jail.

Father Sexually Exploits His Children

In December 2005, the FBI provided investigative information to Sacramento SPAT regarding the sexual exploitation of a 19-year-old mentally disabled male by a suspect, his biological father. The suspect posted on the "Sublime Bulletin Board (BB)" website, that he performed sex acts upon himself, in the bushes, while watching children play at a park where his "retarded" son played. The bulletin board message also said that the suspect engaged in sodomy of his son and would like to receive pictures of young boys in return for pictures of his son. The BB website originated out of Canada.

During the initial stages of the investigation, SPAT agents learned that the suspect had been arrested for lewd or lascivious acts with a child under 14 years of age, but charges were dismissed due to lack of evidence. During the investigation, SPAT agents also learned the suspect's two minor daughters, ages 6 and 11, lived in the residence, and over 20 complaints of child molestation of the girls had been reported to Child Protective Services (CPS). The allegations were made against the developmentally disabled son, and not the father, but CPS had been unable to sustain any of the allegations. After learning of the complaints to CPS and considering the risk to the minors in the residence, SPAT agents felt it was important to immediately remove the children from the home.

In order to obtain probable cause for a search warrant on the suspect's residence, SPAT agents conducted a ruse. A SPAT agent went to the suspect's residence and introduced himself to the suspect as a representative from an Internet Service Provider. The suspect told the undercover SPAT agent he was very satisfied with the service and that he was the only one to use the computer night and day. During the conversation with the suspect, the undercover SPAT agent observed the suspect's three children and spouse inside the residence. Based on the surveillance and conversation with the suspect, SPAT agents obtained a search warrant.

During the search of the suspect's residence, SPAT agents established enough evidence to support the removal of the children by CPS. The two minor children were permanently removed from the suspect's custody and the suspect was restricted to supervised visitation only.

Significant Cases - Sacramento Valley Safe Streets Task Force

Suspect Travels from Saudi Arabia to California to Sexually Assault 2½ Year Old

The Sacramento Valley Federal Safe Streets Task Force under Operation Baby Net, targets those individuals producing and distributing child pornography via the Internet. Agencies assisting in the operation include ICE and the FBI.

In April 2006, Safe Streets agents identified a suspect utilizing the Internet to distribute over 15 graphic images of child pornography to undercover Safe Street Task Force agents. During a year long investigation, several undercover online Internet and telephone communications took place between the undercover task force agents and the suspect. During these communications, the suspect expressed a desire to travel to a pre-determined location for the sole purpose of molesting the undercover agent's fictitious two and a half-year-old daughter. The suspect told the undercover agent he wanted to rub her genitalia, penetrate her anus, perform oral sex, digitally penetrate her genital opening, and use sex toys. The suspect also claimed to have molested two female children, ages ten and two years old, referring to them as his girlfriends.

On April 27, 2006, the suspect traveled by limousine service from San Francisco to a Vallejo motel. When the suspect arrived at the hotel, he was immediately arrested. The suspect was identified as a psychiatrist from Saudi Arabia, who had traveled from Saudi Arabia to Vallejo, California, for the sole purpose of engaging in sexual activities with the child. In his possession was an overnight bag, which included a video camera and two pairs of girls' underwear. The suspect was charged for travel in interstate or foreign commerce to engage in unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, and distribution of child pornography. He was sentenced to seven years in federal prison. When released, the suspect will be on supervised release for eight years.

Suspect Arrested with Suitcase Full of Sexual Assault Gear and Pornography

In April 2005, special agents of the Sacramento Valley Federal Safe Streets Task Force met with an informant in Marin County who had information regarding a suspect who possessed child pornography and was sexually interested in children. The informant introduced the undercover agent to the suspect. During undercover conversations via the telephone and the Internet, the suspect told the agent he wanted to perform various sex acts on the agent's two fictitious kids (a 13-year-old daughter and an 11-year-old son) with "sex toys." The suspect said he has had a sexual relationship with his now adult daughter since she was 12 years old.

The suspect said he was willing to travel to Sacramento from his residence in Desert Hot Springs, California, to engage in sex acts with the children. The undercover agent and the suspect agreed to meet at a hotel in Sacramento. When the suspect arrived at the hotel, he was carrying a suitcase containing assorted dildos, anus plugs, lubricants, Viagra pills, condoms, CD disks, a Polaroid camera, and Polaroid photographs of the suspect engaged in several sex acts. It was the suspect's intent to use these items on the children. The CDs were later reviewed and found to contain 46 videos and 64 images of child pornography. A loaded .38 caliber Smith and Wesson handgun was found in the suspect's car. Pursuant to a search warrant, agents from the Riverside SPAT Office seized a computer and other items from the suspect's residence and business. An FBI agent located and made contact with the suspect's daughter, now 42 years old, in Washington State. The daughter told the FBI agent when she was seven years old the suspect made her touch his penis and forced her to watch him and her mother have sex.

The suspect was indicted on federal charges of possession and distribution of child pornography. He pled guilty to state and federal charges and was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Training/Education Presentations and Public Events

During 2005 and 2006, the Sacramento Regional Office SPAT provided 18 training and education events, attended by a total of 1,010 law enforcement personnel and/or the general public. In addition, the Sacramento Regional Office participated in four public events. The training and education, and public events included:

- Various Elementary Schools in Sacramento Region – Topic: Internet Safety and Stranger Awareness
- Department of Justice, Advanced Training Center (ATC) – Topic: Sex Offender Tracking, Registration and Enforcement Training
- Sacramento Regional Public Safety Training Center – Topic: Sex Offender Tracking Program
- Members of the Attorney General's Legal Staff – Topic: Internet Crimes Against Children and Sex Offender Compliance Checks
- Members of Governor's Department of Finance, Attorney General's Budget Office, and Mission Support Branch Budget Unit – Topic: Internet Crimes Against Children and Sex Offender Compliance Checks
- Raymond Case Elementary School, Elk Grove – Topic: Red Ribbon Week, Californians for Drug-Free Youth
- Department of Justice, Advanced Training Center – Topic: Sex Offender Training for Patrol Officers
- William Brooks Elementary School, El Dorado Hills – Topic: Red Ribbon Week, Californians for Drug-Free Youth

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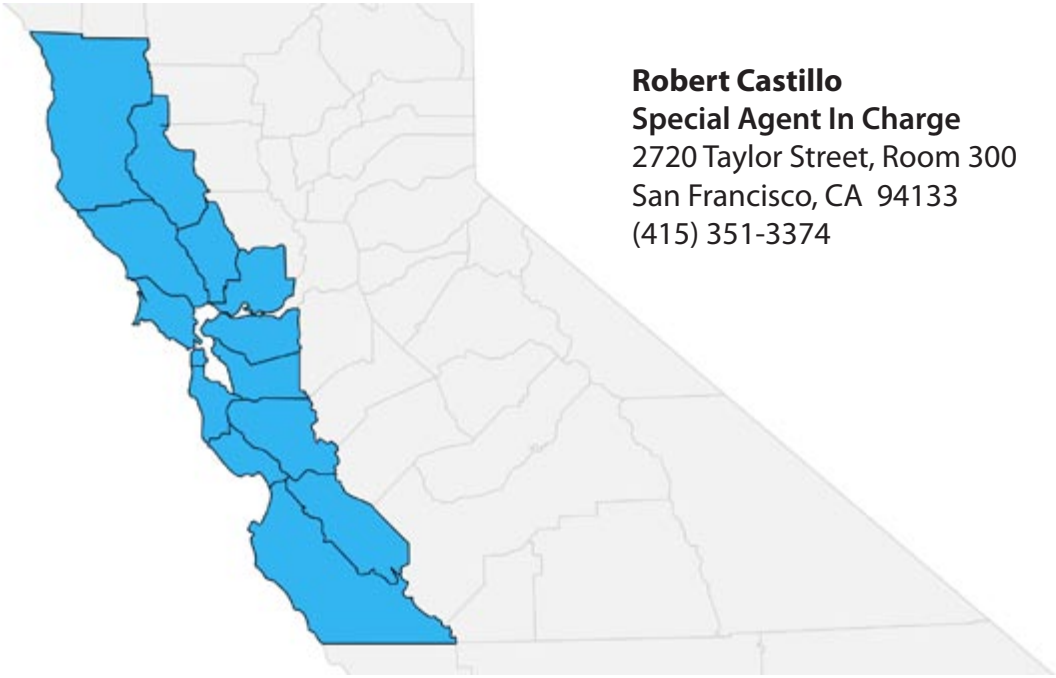

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The San Francisco Regional Office Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) became operational in October 1994.

The Regional Office area of responsibility encompasses 14 northern and coastal counties. They include: Alameda, Contra Costa, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Sonoma.

The combined land area for this regional office is 16,847 square miles, with a population of 7,557,000. As of March 21, 2007, there were 13,279 registered sex offenders in this region.

The San Francisco Regional Office originated the concept of a statewide SPAT Program in CBI. Agents informally worked with local law enforcement agencies targeting high-risk sexual predators prior to 1994, and wrote a Budget Change Proposal (BCP) that was approved and eventually became CBI's SPAT Program.

The Alameda County SAFE Task Force has been in existence since 1997, and San Francisco SPAT has continued to be an active participant. A CBI Special Agent Supervisor is the Task Force Commander.

The Alameda County SAFE Task Force area encompasses the following cities: Alameda, Berkeley, Castro Valley, Dublin, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Pleasanton, San Leandro,

San Lorenzo, Union City, and unincorporated areas of the county. As of March 21, 2007, Alameda County had a total of 2,506 registered sex offenders.

During 2005 and 2006, the following Alameda County and state law enforcement agencies participated in the SAFE Task Force:

- Alameda County Sheriff's Office
- Alameda County Probation Department
- Alameda Police Department
- Oakland Police Department
- East Bay Regional Parks Police Department
- Pleasanton Police Department
- CBI
- California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation – Parole

The San Mateo County SAFE Task Force was formed in 2002. A CBI Special Agent Supervisor was assigned as the Task Force Commander.

The San Mateo County SAFE Task Force area encompasses the following cities: Atherton, Belmont, Brisbane, Burlingame, Colma, Daly City, East Palo Alto, El Granada, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Hillsborough, La Honda, Menlo Park, Millbrae, Montara, Moss Beach, Pacifica, Pescadero, Redwood City, San Bruno, San Carlos, San Mateo, South San Francisco, Woodside, and unincorporated areas within the county. As of March 21, 2007, San Mateo County had a total of 822 registered sex offenders.

During 2005-2006, the following San Mateo County and state law enforcement agencies participated in the SAFE Task Force:

- San Mateo County Sheriff's Office
- San Mateo County Adult Probation
- Daly City Police Department
- South San Francisco Police Department
- CBI
- California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation - Parole

From January 2005 through December 2006, the Sexual Predator Programs within the San Francisco Regional Office arrested 870 offenders. The following chart details a total of 1,172 offenses for which these individuals were arrested.

San Francisco Regional Office	2005	2006
Parole/Probation Violation	149	137
Failure to Register	154	167
Child Molest/Sexual Assault (Juvenile Victim)	7	41
Child Pornography	23	10
Rape/Sexual Assault (Adult Victim)	6	6
Indecent Exposure	2	1
Immigration Violation	61	81
Narcotic Violation	28	60
Weapons Violation	9	21
Other	48	161
Total Offenses:	**487**	**685**

Significant Cases - San Francisco SPAT

Out-of-State Sex Offender Moves to San Francisco and Distributes Child Pornography on the Internet

In November 2004, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children contacted San Francisco SPAT and requested investigative assistance relative to an alleged posting of child pornography on the Internet. The images depicted male juveniles engaged in sexually explicit acts.

During January 2005, the assigned agent identified the suspect after obtaining subscriber information for the Internet Protocol number used in the posting of the child pornography. The suspect's criminal history reflected multiple arrests in the states of New York and Washington for sex offenses involving juvenile victims. The agent requested that the Department of Justice, Sex Offender Tracking Program, assess the convictions to determine if the suspect was required to register as a sex offender in California, as he was not currently registered.

During January 2005, the agent obtained a search warrant for the suspect's residence in San Francisco. SPAT agents and a San Francisco Police Department inspector executed the warrant and seized the suspect's two computers and digital evidence. The agent submitted the evidence to the Silicon Valley Regional Computer Forensic Laboratory for analysis.

In October 2005, the forensic analysis was completed and revealed evidence that the computers contained numerous images and movie files depicting children between five and 15 years old engaged in various forms of child pornography and erotica. There was also evidence that the suspect was involved in trading and distributing child pornography on the Internet.

In November 2005, the agent met with a prosecutor at the San Francisco County District Attorney's Office and obtained an arrest warrant for the suspect, charging him with felony distribution of child pornography and misdemeanor possession of child pornography. The suspect was arrested at his residence.

While the suspect was in custody awaiting court, an out-of-state sex registration assessment was completed. It was determined the suspect was required to register as a sex offender in California. The suspect was advised of his sex registration requirements, and the appropriate documentation was obtained.

In November 2006, the suspect pled guilty to felony possession of child pornography and was sentenced to one year and four months in state prison. The suspect is currently on active state parole in San Francisco County.

Petaluma Online Predator Operation Results in 29 Arrests

In July 2006, the Petaluma Police Department requested San Francisco SPAT's investigative assistance with a major undercover online sexual predator operation scheduled for August 2006. The Sonoma County Sheriff's Department, Sonoma County District Attorney's Office, and the Santa Rosa Police Department also agreed to participate in the operation.

The Petaluma Police Department and the victim's rights group known as Perverted Justice initiated the investigation. During the past few years, Perverted Justice has assisted law enforcement nationwide in apprehending online sexual predators. Perverted Justice volunteers pretend to be juveniles and communicate with the suspects via the Internet, awaiting sexual solicitations. If the sexual predator makes a sexual solicitation, the volunteer schedules a face-to-face meeting with the predator. When the predator shows up to meet the juvenile for the purpose of molesting the minor, the suspect is taken into custody by law enforcement.

During the three-day operation in August 2006, CBI agents from San Francisco and Sacramento agents assisted in apprehending suspects, executing search warrants, conducting suspect interviews, providing mobile surveillance teams, and providing an analyst to identify and conduct background checks on approximately 75 potential suspects.

The operation resulted in the arrest of 29 adult suspects, who arrived at the designated location in Petaluma for the purpose and intent of having sexual contact with minor children. The

suspects were charged with felony attempted lewd or lascivious acts with a child under 14, and burglary, entry with intent to commit a felony. The bail for each suspect was set at $30,000. The suspects had various professions, which included a doctor, a U.S. Marine, engineers, software developers, laborers, and more.

Four suspects were convicted of felony attempted lewd or lascivious acts with a child under 14, and were sentenced to county jail ranging from 30 days to nine months, three years probation, and must register as a convicted sex registrant. Charges were not filed against one suspect, and another suspect was turned over to the military. The remaining suspects have pending court dates.

The operation was covered by NBC News as part of an ongoing series by Dateline NBC known as "To Catch a Predator."

Significant Cases - Alameda County SAFE Task Force

Convicted Child Molester Arrested on New Molest Charges

In July 2005, the Danville Police Department requested investigative assistance from the Alameda County SAFE Task Force with the investigation of a sexually explicit letter that was sent to a 13-year-old boy. Authorities believed a convicted sex registrant, who was employed at a local country club where the juvenile was on the swim team, sent the letter. The letter complimented the victim's physique in his Speedo and asked the juvenile to engage in specific sexual acts. The letter contained three condoms. The misspelling of the boy's last name in the letter was the same misspelling that was posted on the bulletin board at the country club.

The suspect had two prior convictions for lewd or lascivious acts with a child less than 14 years of age, and annoying and molesting a child. The suspect was known to be sexually aroused by prepubescent boys between the ages of eight to 13 years of age, and he previously expressed concern that he might "violently offend" a boy someday if he did not get help in controlling his sexual urges.

A search warrant was obtained for the suspect's residence and place of employment. Agents and officers seized the suspect's computer, logbook containing handwritten notes relating to specific characteristics that the suspect was attracted to male juveniles, another sexually explicit letter written to an unidentified 12-year-old boy, and pornography depicting young males. The suspect's employer was unaware of his sex registrant status.

The Northern California Computer Crimes Task Force (NC3TF) conducted a forensic search of the suspect's computer and found an image of the letter sent to the 13-year-old boy. The suspect's

computer hard drive also contained the addresses of other country club swim team members and directions to their homes. The suspect was arrested and charged with sending harmful material to a minor, stalking, and annoying and molesting a child.

In February 2007, the suspect was convicted of two felony counts of annoying and molesting a child. He was sentenced to six years state prison.

Suspect Arrested for Pimping and Molesting 13-Year-Old Girl

In September 2006, San Mateo County Probation requested the Alameda County SAFE Task Force conduct an Internet sting operation, targeting a 13-year-old prostitute. The girl's mother contacted her daughter's probation officer after finding numerous advertisements posted within the erotic services section of craigslist.org soliciting her daughter for the purpose of prostitution throughout the Bay Area. The girl was in violation of her probation conditions, and an arrest warrant was issued.

SAFE Task Force agents initiated an investigation. Numerous nude and sexually provocative photographs of the girl were posted within 27 different advertisements for Alameda County. Additional advertisements were located for San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties.

An undercover operative telephoned the juvenile, and she agreed to meet with the undercover operative for a "massage."

Law enforcement personnel from the SAFE Task Force, Alameda County Sheriff's Office Youth and Family Services Bureau, and the FBI established surveillance in a Berkeley neighborhood, where the juvenile was instructed to meet the operative. Within 20 minutes, agents saw an orange-colored Corvette park in the area, and the juvenile exit the passenger's side of the vehicle. The girl was arrested pursuant to the warrant, and booked into juvenile hall. She had condoms and a cellular telephone in her possession at the time of her arrest, along with numerous photocopied strips of paper with her name and the same cellular telephone number listed in her Internet advertisements. Law enforcement personnel approached the Corvette, verbally identifying themselves as "police." As agents approached, the driver began to reach under his seat. The driver, a 28-year-old male, was arrested without further incident. A loaded Taurus, .40-caliber pistol was found under the suspect's seat. The pistol was registered to the suspect, who resided in San Leandro. Seven condoms, two Nextel cellular phones, a piece of paper listing dates, times, and locations of prostitution activities, and a motel receipt were seized from within the vehicle.

The juvenile told agents she had been "walking the track" (street prostitution) in Hayward for several months. She was arrested for prostitution by the Alameda County Sheriff's Office in May 2006. She met the suspect in May 2006 while she was working for another pimp who had beaten her. She moved in with the suspect in July, and she advised that he always carried a gun for protection. The suspect took naked pictures of the victim and posted advertisements offering

her services as a prostitute on craigslist.org. The juvenile said she gave all of the money she made from her prostitution activities to the suspect who provided her with clothing, food, and shelter. She advised that she had consensual sex with the suspect twice per week.

The suspect was charged with pimping, pandering, facilitating acts of prostitution, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, lewd or lascivious acts with a child under the age of 14, possession of child pornography, manufacturing and distributing child pornography, possession of a concealed firearm within a vehicle, and possession of a loaded firearm in public.

The suspect consented to a search of his apartment, and agents seized numerous printed copies of the juvenile's craigslist.org advertisements and photographs; a sheet of paper with the juvenile's name and the cellular telephone number listed with the juvenile's craigslist.org advertisements; and additional evidence linking the suspect to the juvenile and prostitution activities. The suspect's sister was present during the search of the apartment, and she spontaneously stated she told her brother, "He needs to stop that pimping."

The suspect subsequently pled guilty to felony lewd or lascivious acts with a child under the age of 14. He was sentenced to three years prison and must register as a convicted sex offender for life.

Significant Cases - San Mateo County SAFE Task Force

Suspect Convicted in Federal Court for Child Pornography

In March 2005, a U.S. Postal Inspection Service inspector contacted the San Mateo County SAFE Task Force and requested investigative assistance relative to a Belmont suspect obtaining child pornography. The suspect had no prior criminal history.

SAFE agents and U.S. Postal inspectors executed a search warrant at the suspect's residence in Belmont. Agents and inspectors seized computers, pornography, a firearm, and indicia from the residence. The suspect was charged in federal court for transportation of child pornography, attempted receipt of child pornography, and possession of child pornography.

In February 2006, the suspect was sentenced to five years and three months in federal prison. The suspect is currently incarcerated in Lompoc Federal Correctional Institute with a projected release date of November 2010. Upon the suspect's release, he will be on supervised federal probation and must register as a convicted sex offender for life.

SAFE Task Force Investigates Child Prostitution Ring and Robbery/Mayhem Case

San Mateo County SAFE Task Force members contacted the South San Francisco Police Department concerning a juvenile prostitution ring operating in the South San Francisco and San Fran-

cisco International Airport areas. The ring was allegedly associated with a faction of the 25th Street Gang out of San Francisco. The SAFE Task Force coordinated investigative efforts with the FBI and San Francisco Police Department.

In December 2005, the SAFE Task Force obtained and executed a search warrant for the primary suspect's residence in Pacifica. Agents seized numerous sexually explicit photographs, a videotape, gang-related photographs, a Chinese SKS assault weapon with a high-capacity magazine, 100 rounds of ammunition, a California driver's license, and credit cards belonging to an individual other than the suspect. An arrest warrant was issued for the suspect charging him with possession of an assault weapon, and bail was set at $50,000. The warrant was served on the suspect while he was in custody in the San Francisco County Jail on charges of fleeing from a police officer.

During December 2005, SAFE and FBI agents went to Los Gatos to contact the owner of the California driver's license and credit cards that agents seized during the search warrant. The owner advised the agents that he and a friend accessed craigslist.org. They called the telephone number associated with a juvenile prostitute and requested her services over the Labor Day weekend. The subject told agents that upon the prostitute's arrival, he and his friend declined her services, at which point she requested a $50 cancellation fee. When the subject paid her $20, two males arrived and a fight ensued. During the fight, the subject was hit in the face, crushing the orbital bone, causing him to lose his left eye. The subject also suffered a broken jaw. The subject was able to positively identify one suspect in a photographic line-up.

As a result of the SAFE Task Force's investigation and coordination with allied law enforcement agencies, the Los Gatos Police Department was able to file charges against two suspects. The primary suspect, the Pacifica resident where SAFE agents executed the search warrant, was charged with pimping for prostitute under 16 years of age, pandering other person under 16 years of age, mayhem, burglary, robbery, assault with a deadly weapon, and grand theft. The primary suspect is awaiting trial in Santa Clara County and faces 25 years to life if found guilty. The second suspect was charged with burglary and robbery. He entered a guilty plea and was sentenced to six years in state prison.

Training/Education Presentations and Public Events

During 2005 and 2006, the San Francisco Regional Office Sexual Predator Programs provided 12 training and education events attended by a total of 1,301 law enforcement personnel and/or the general public. In addition, the San Francisco Regional Office participated in eight public events. The training and education, and public events included:

San Francisco SPAT

- St. John's Parish School in San Francisco - Topic: MySpace.com and Internet Safety
- California Sexual Assault Investigators Association - Fall Training - Topic: Sexual Predator Program

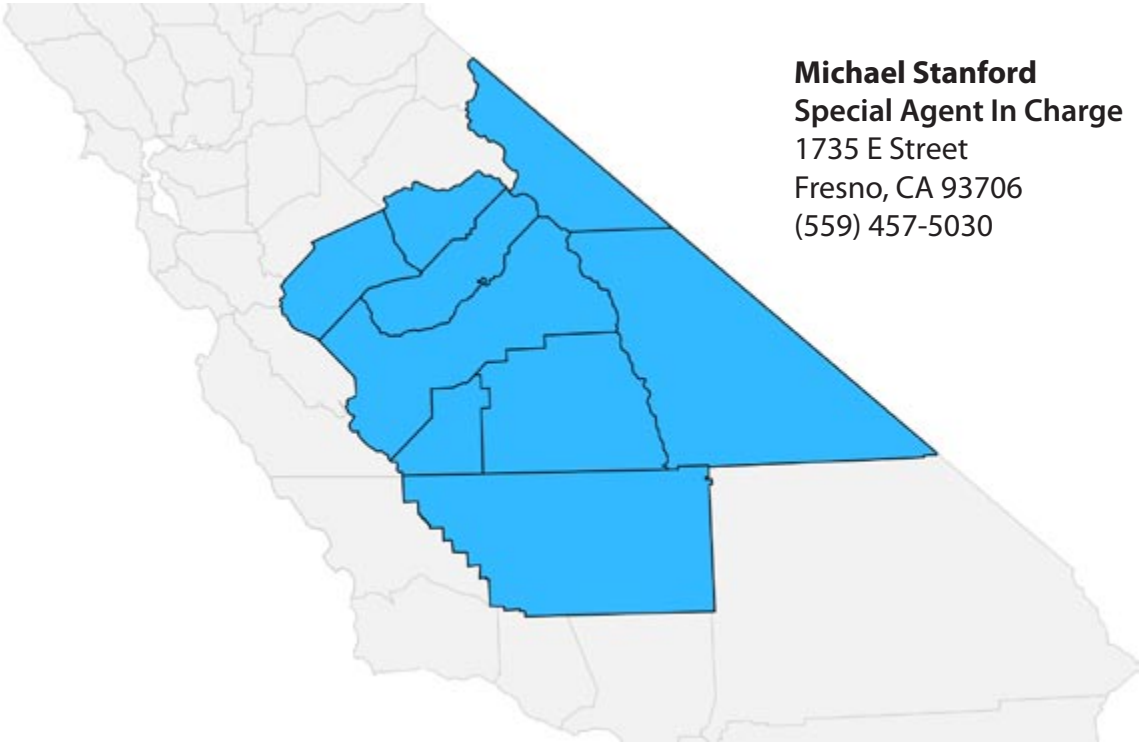
Alameda County SAFE Task Force

- Bay Area Law Enforcement Agencies - Topic: 290 PC Sex Registration Violation Enforcement
- Alameda County Sheriff's Office Citizen's Academy - Topic: Megan's Law and Sex Registration
- Alameda County Sheriff's Office Advisory Committee - Topic: Megan's Law and Sex Offender Registration and Enforcement
- Law Enforcement Agencies in Alameda County - Topic: Megan's Law and Sex Offender Registration and Enforcement

San Mateo County SAFE Task Force

- San Mateo Rotary Club - Topic: Megan's Law and Sex Registration Enforcement
- San Mateo County Communications Managers' Association - Topic: San Mateo County SAFE Task Force and Its Operation
- French American International School in San Francisco - MySpace.com and Internet Safety
- Law Enforcement Agencies in San Mateo County - Topic: Sex Registration and Prosecution
- San Mateo County Juvenile Probation Officers and San Mateo Countywide Juvenile Investigators Meeting - Topic: Juvenile Prostitution and Investigation Strategies

Fresno Regional Office



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The Fresno Regional Office Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) became operational in October 1995.

The Regional Office area of responsibility encompasses nine Central Valley counties. They include: Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, and Tulare.

The combined land area for this regional office is 42,378 square miles, with a population of 2,708,000. As of March 21, 2007, there were 6,967 registered sex offenders in this region.

The Fresno Regional Office focuses its activities on assisting federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in the investigation of suspected sexual predators and the service of arrest and search warrants, probation/parole searches, and surveillance. They also assist the Fresno Regional Office's Unsolved Violent Crime Unit (UVCU) in the investigation of homicides with a sexual assault element.

From January 2005 through December 2006, the Fresno Sexual Predator Program arrested 116 offenders. The following chart details a total of 204 offenses for which these individuals were arrested.

Fresno Regional Office	2005	2006
Parole/Probation Violation	27	9
Failure to Register	58	17
Child Molest/Sexual Assault (Juvenile Victim)	23	22
Child Pornography	13	0
Rape/Sexual Assault (Adult Victim)	7	1
Indecent Exposure	0	0
Immigration Violation	1	0
Narcotic Violation	1	10
Weapons Violation	0	0
Other	11	4
Total Offenses:	**141**	**63**

Significant Cases - Fresno SPAT

Suspect Found in Possession of Large Caches of Firearms and Child Pornography

In February 2005, Special Agents from the Department of Justice, Firearms Division (DOJ/FD), served a search warrant for the purposes of seizing numerous firearms believed to be in the possession of a convicted felon living in Auberry, California. The suspect had been convicted in 1973 for child molestation and was sent to Atascadero State Hospital. During the search, agents seized numerous firearms, including rifles, pistols, a shotgun, and a large quantity of ammunition.

During the interview, the suspect admitted there were pornographic photographs of children on his computer. The DOJ/FD agents reviewed the suspect's computer and located photographs of naked females ranging in ages between ten to 12 years old. The females appeared to be dressed in lingerie and posing to show their vaginal areas and breasts. The suspect admitted the photographs sexually aroused him. The DOJ/FD agents seized the firearms and requested the assistance of DOJ SPAT agents in the collection of the computer and the hard-drive materials.

SPAT agents acquired a search warrant to seize and forensically search the suspect's computer and all related components, including the hard drive, diskettes, and CD-ROM drives. There were over 1,000 images depicting prepubescent boys and girls engaged in sexual conduct with other prepubescent children and adults on the computer and storage devices.

In May 2006, the suspect was sentenced to federal prison for four years and three months as a result of his convictions for possession of visual depictions of the sexual exploitation of minors and for possessing firearms as a felon. He was also ordered to pay a fine of $5,000 to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

Suspect Video Records A Consensual Sexual Act for the Purpose of Extortion

In September 2006, the Fresno Police Department received a complaint from a male victim, 72 years of age, regarding extortion. The victim reported he corresponded with a suspect through an Internet chat room website frequented by male homosexuals. As agreed, the victim and the suspect met at the suspect's residence in Fresno for the purpose of having consensual sex.

A few days later, the victim was contacted by the suspect and was told that a secret video recording of their sexual encounter had been recorded. The suspect demanded $2,000 from the victim in exchange for the original video recording. The suspect told the victim that if he did not pay the money, the suspect would tell the victim's wife of their sexual encounter.

The Fresno Cyber Crimes Task Force (CCTF), with the assistance of CBI SPAT agents, FBI, Fresno Police Department, Fresno County Sheriff's Department, and U.S. Secret Service, served a search warrant at the suspect's residence. Agents seized several computers, compact disks, and a web camera. The suspect pled guilty to felony grand theft and was sentenced to 16 months in state prison.

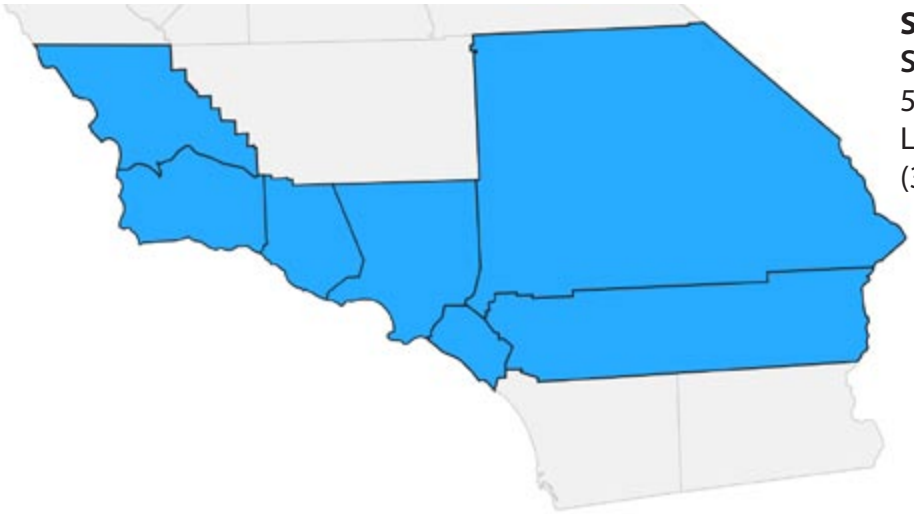
The suspect had a lengthy criminal history that included burglary, battery, assault, and narcotics.

Training/Education Presentations and Public Events

During 2005 and 2006, the Fresno Regional Office Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) provided three training and education events attended by a total of 140 law enforcement personnel and/or the general public. In addition, Fresno SPAT participated in one public event attended by 20 citizens. The training and education, and public events included:

- California Bureau of Investigation, Training - Topic: Proposition 69, DNA Sampling, Collection, Database, and Funding
- Central Valley Area Law Enforcement Agencies - Topic: 290 PC Sex Registration Violation Enforcement
- Law Enforcement Agencies in Fresno County - Topic: Proposition 69, DNA Sampling, Collection, Database, and Funding

Los Angeles Regional Office



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The Los Angeles Regional Office Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) became operational in October 1995.

The Regional Office area of responsibility encompasses seven counties. They include: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura.

The combined land area for this regional office is 36,847 square miles, with a population of 18,030,369. As of March 21, 2007, there were 27,807 registered sex offenders in this region.

Los Angeles SPAT's initial emphasis was on assisting local agencies with organizing sex registration files and conducting sex offender registration compliance sweeps. The focus later extended to include assisting local California Department of Corrections (CDC) Parole Units, and Probation Departments, with monitoring and tracking sex offenders. When appropriate, SPAT assistance extends to conducting sex registrant surveillance of those most likely to re-offend, locating and arresting parolees-at-large (PAL), and assisting local authorities with sex crime investigations.

As the Los Angeles SPAT developed expertise and notoriety in the field of dealing with sex registrants, SPAT worked closely with the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) Registration and Compliance Teams to ensure sex offender compliance. SPAT agents continue to be very active with the sex registration coordinators of each LAPD station and with its Robbery/Homicide Divisions, which are tasked with the investigation of serial rape, assault, and related crimes. SPAT has also continued working closely with the County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD) in several sexual assault and child abduction task forces. Their involvement with LASD resulted in the Los Angeles SPAT being included in the LASD response protocol to serial rape/sexual assault and child abduction crimes.

Los Angeles SPAT has continued its commitment to assist the Federal Safe Streets Task Force, which has a CBI Special Agent Supervisor permanently assigned as the Task Force Commander. The Federal Safe Streets Task Force concentrates on crimes against children perpetrated on the Internet (e.g. dissemination, selling, purchasing, and possessing child pornography) and on "traveler" cases, where suspects travel to meet and engage in sexual acts with children. The U.S. Congress appropriates funds to this federal task force.

Riverside SPAT

Riverside SPAT continued operations in 2005 and 2006. The team is responsible for providing investigative support to law enforcement agencies within Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. The combined land area for this field office is 28,192 square miles, with a population of 6,443,300.

Since its inception, Riverside SPAT has concentrated its efforts toward locating and arresting sex offenders who are out of compliance with the sex registration laws, sex offenders wanted for outstanding arrest warrants, and assisting local law enforcement agencies with the surveillance and apprehension of sexual offenders.

Riverside SPAT has forged partnerships with the probation and parole offices in Riverside and San Bernardino counties, and assists these agencies in locating and arresting sex offenders who are violating their probation or parole conditions. The team also coordinates multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional sex offender sweeps, designed to locate out of compliance sex registrants and ensure compliance with the sex registration laws through arrest and prosecution of these non-compliant sex offenders.

Los Angeles SAFE Task Force

The Los Angeles County 290 Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (LA SAFE) Task Force was formally established within the Department of Justice, CBI, Los Angeles Regional Office on January 1, 2005.

The mission of the LA SAFE is to locate, monitor, and investigate and /or arrest sex offenders subject to registration pursuant to California state law. The LA SAFE identifies and locates those offenders using various investigative methods and takes appropriate enforcement and administrative action consistent with the goals and objectives set forth below.

- Establish a Los Angeles County 290 Task Force composed of municipal, county, state, and/or federal law enforcement agencies to address and reduce the number of absconded sex offenders in Los Angeles County.

- Use various investigative methods to locate absconded sex offenders and take appropriate enforcement or administrative action to ensure compliance with California state law.

- Establish liaison with local law enforcement agencies, responsible for sex offender registration in Los Angeles County, to facilitate successful tracking of sex offender registrants, and provide education regarding sex offender registration requirements.

- Coordinate with the California Department of Justice to ensure updated sex offender registrant information is entered into the state sex offender database.

During 2005 and 2006, the following Los Angeles County, state and federal law enforcement agencies participated in the LA SAFE Task Force:

- Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
- Los Angeles County Probation Department
- California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation - Parole
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Inspector General
- CBI

Los Angeles Federal Safe Streets Task Force

CBI Los Angeles Regional Office continued to be a participant in the Los Angeles Federal Safe Streets Task Force in 2005 and 2006. A CBI Task Force Commander supervised operational activities and a FBI Supervisory Special Agent supervised administrative activities. This task force currently operates under the FBI Cyber Crimes Unit. The Los Angeles Federal Safe Streets Task Force aggressively conducts both historical and proactive investigations of federal law as they relate to violent crimes committed against children, and to seek prosecution of offenders in both Federal court and/or state court, utilizing the venue that best addresses the violation.

During 2005 and 2006, the following county, state and federal law enforcement agencies participated in the Los Angeles Federal Safe Streets Task Force:

- Los Angeles Police Department
- Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
- Orange County Sheriff's Department
- California Highway Patrol (CHP)
- CBI
- FBI

From January 2005 through December 2006, Los Angeles Sexual Predator Programs arrested 571 offenders. The following chart details a total of 698 offenses for which these individuals were arrested.

Los Angeles Regional Office	**2005**	**2006**
Parole/Probation Violations	128	88
Failure to Register	105	92
Child Molest/Sexual Assault (Juvenile Victim)	41	61
Rape/Sexual Assault	20	7
Child Pornography	2	28
Indecent Exposure	0	0
Narcotics Violations	9	18
Weapons Violations	5	1
Alien Immigration Violations	0	3
Other	49	41
Total Arrests	**359**	**339**

Significant Cases - Los Angeles SPAT

Orange County Attorney Charged with Lewd and Lascivious Acts and Indecent Exposure

In January 2006, the LA SPAT received a request from the Brea Police Department to investigate the criminal violations of a registered sex offender, which included lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14 years of age, indecent exposure, child annoyance, and possession of child pornography.

The suspect was out on bail after having been arrested in October 2005 for child annoyance and indecent exposure. A criminal case was pending in Orange County and detectives of Brea Police Department felt the suspect posed a threat to the community, specifically to minor children.

LA SPAT, along with agents from the Los Angeles County 290 Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (LA SAFE) Task Force, the Los Angeles Environmental Crimes Team (ECT), the Los Angeles Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement (BNE), the Orange County Probation Department (OCPD), and the Los Angeles Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Elder Abuse (BMFEA) conducted surveillance of the suspect in various areas within Los Angeles County. During the surveillance, agents observed the suspect engage in predatory activities pertaining to minor children.

The suspect also failed to provide an additional address where he was residing, in violation of registration requirements. LA SAFE agents prepared and executed a search warrant for the suspect's primary and secondary residences, and acquired consent to search his law firm in San Pedro. Additional charges for violation of registration requirements were filed and a no bail warrant was issued. The suspect remains in custody pending culmination of the criminal proceedings.

DNA Match Results in Arrest for Kidnapping and Assault to Commit Rape

In February 2006, the LA SPAT received a request for assistance from the Garden Grove Police Department with a rape investigation that occurred in the year 2000. This request was based on a suspect DNA match identified by the California DOJ, CAL-DNA Convicted Offender DNA Data Bank. The suspect was on probation in Orange County for transporting, selling, and furnishing a controlled substance. LA SPAT members assisted in locating the victim and witnesses, and in conducting interviews.

In April 2006, the LA SPAT, along with Orange County Probation officers and Garden Grove Police Department detectives, arranged a meeting with the suspect at the Orange County Probation Department in San Juan Capistrano. The suspect was arrested for kidnapping and assault to commit rape.

The LA SPAT conducted a probation search of the suspect's vehicle at the Probation Office. During the search, agents located a three-inch locking blade buck knife in the driver's door storage compartment, along with a copy of his conditions of probation, which clearly stated he was not to possess knives. The suspect was additionally charged with a probation violation, and a no bail hold was placed on him. The suspect pled "not guilty" and a jury trial is pending.

Registered Sex Offender Caught Masturbating in Public at County Fair

In July 2006, during an undercover surveillance operation at the Orange County Fair, a registered sex offender was observed masturbating through holes he had cut in his pants pockets. An Orange County Probation officer, who accompanied the LA SPAT Team, had prior knowledge of the offender and his modus operandi.

Contact was made with the suspect, who admitted to doing the acts while watching women and children at the fair. The suspect said he was released from custody a few days prior and was out on bail for committing the same acts in a bookstore in Santa Ana. The suspect was escorted out of the fairgrounds and was arrested for lewd acts in public and annoying/molesting children under 18 years of age. The suspect was also in violation of his sex registration requirement and additional charges were filed.

Significant Cases - Riverside SPAT

Parolee Gets 8 Years for Violation of Sex Offender Registration Requirements

In November 2005, the California Department of Corrections (CDC), Parole and Community Services Division requested agents from Riverside SPAT to initiate an investigation into whether a registered sex offender was in violation of his requirement to register as a sex offender. While SPAT agents were completing their investigation, parole agents located and arrested the suspect for violating his conditions of parole, and he was returned to state prison. Subsequently, the SPAT agents sought an arrest warrant for felony failure to register as a sex offender.

In February 2006, the suspect was released from state prison and transported to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, West Valley Detention Center, and was booked on the outstanding failure to register arrest warrant. The suspect pled guilty to failure to register as a sex offender and was sentenced to 8 years in state prison.

Significant Cases - Los Angeles SAFE Task Force

Sex Offender Fails to Register or Report to Parole

In December 2001, a convicted sex offender was released on parole after serving six years in state prison for child molestation. He failed to report to the California Department of Corrections, Parole and Community Services Division as required, and the California Board of Prison Terms issued a no bail arrest warrant for the suspect for violating parole.

According to the Department of Justice, Violent Crime Information Network (VCIN) database, the suspect was also out of compliance with his sex offender registration requirements. He last registered as a sex offender with the Los Angeles Police Department in 2002.

In March 2005, LA SAFE Task Force agents arrested the suspect on the outstanding parole violation warrant. The suspect was sentenced to seven years in state prison on failure to provide a change of address and failure to update annual sex registration.

Out-of-Compliance Sex Offender Found Living in Multi-Million Dollar Home in Exclusive Neighborhood

In January 2006, members of the LA SAFE Task Force conducted a compliance and probation check at the suspect's residence in Los Angeles. The suspect was a sex registrant who was on felony probation for rape with fear of retaliation.

During the investigation, agents learned the suspect did not live at the address he listed on his sex offender registration. During the follow-up investigation, agents discovered the suspect actually resided at an address in Hollywood Hills. This location was a multi-million dollar residence located in the exclusive Hollywood Hills portion of Los Angeles.

Agents conducted a probation search at the residence in Hollywood Hills. During the search, agents seized numerous documents, items of clothing, and a safe belonging to the suspect. The safe contained an unknown value in uncut stones. These stones had been brought in from the Ivory Coast of Africa. The suspect subsequently arrived at the location, accompanied by his attorney, and was arrested on a probation violation. Agents contacted the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to investigate the suspect for the illegal importation of precious stones into the United States.

The suspect had traveled out of the country on several occasions without the permission of the Los Angeles County Probation Department and the Judge of the Superior Court. In addition, the suspect lied about his primary place of residence and had not properly registered per the conditions of his probation. During the investigation it was discovered the suspect had committed credit card theft and fraud.

In May 2006, the suspect's probationary hearing was held. He was found guilty of the above charges and sentenced to eight years in state prison.

Significant Cases - Los Angeles Federal Safe Steets Task Force

Former Glendale Police Officer Sentenced to Prison for Child Molestation

While employed as a police officer with the Glendale Police Department, the suspect earned his law degree and later retired in lieu of being terminated for violating a sexual harassment policy.

In 1991, it was reported to law enforcement that the suspect was sexually molesting his 12-year-old sister-in-law on camping trips. However, no criminal charges were filed.

In July 2006, several undercover online Internet communications took place between the undercover task force agents and the suspect. During the communications, the suspect expressed a desire to have sex with a fictitious 13-year-old girl. During his attempt to meet the girl, agents arrested the suspect for attempted oral copulation, harmful matter sent with intent of seduction of a minor, and annoying or molesting a child under 18 years of age. The suspect was convicted on all charges. He was sentenced to one and one half years in the county jail, and five years and eight months in state prison.

L.A. Police Dept. Explorer Scout Reports Sexual Assault by 15-Year Veteran Officer

The suspect, a 15-year Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) officer was arrested after a 15-year-old youth Explorer Scout disclosed that the suspect had sexually assaulted him. The suspect was the advisor to the LAPD Explorer Scout Program. During the investigation, agents determined that the suspect utilized the Internet to entice 11 minor males to engage in sexual activities on MySpace.Com.

The suspect was sentenced to 11 years and four months in state prison. The suspect is currently facing Federal charges for the use of the Internet to entice minors to engage in sexual acts, and causing a minor to travel for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts.

Training/Education Presentations and Public Events

From January through December 2006, the Los Angeles Regional Office Sexual Predator Programs provided 80 training and education events attended by a total of 2,355 law enforcement personnel and/or the general public. In addition, the Los Angeles Regional Office participated in 11 public events attended by 509 citizens. The training and education, and public events included:

- Center Against Sexual Assault (Hemet, CA) Topic: Children's Safety Fair
- San Bernardino County Sex Offender Containment and Enforcement Team Training (Various locations in San Bernardino County) Topic: 290 PC investigations, legal updates, investigative tools, DA training.

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The San Diego Regional Office, Sex Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) became operational in 2001.

The team is responsible for providing investigative support to law enforcement agencies within Imperial and San Diego counties. The combined land area for this Regional Office is 8,852 square miles, with a population of 3,956,000. As of March 21, 2007 there were 4,143 registered sex offenders in this region.

Following a number of meetings and liaison work with local law enforcement agencies, San Diego SPAT received a number of investigative requests to assist in the apprehension of sexual predators. At the request of local law enforcement agencies, SPAT assisted in monitoring registered sex offenders and in providing training to local agencies in sex registration procedures.

A SPAT special agent was also assigned to Imperial County to liaison with local law enforcement in that county, and to assist in the investigation of sexual assault crimes. The Imperial County SPAT agent assists in coordinating training to local law enforcement on sex offender registration requirements and assists law enforcement agencies in locating registrants who are out of compliance. On a daily basis, Imperial County law enforcement agencies contact SPAT requesting investigative assistance in locating sex offenders.

In December 2002, the San Diego Police Chief's Association agreed to form a countywide SAFE Task Force, managed by a CBI Special Agent Supervisor who serves as Task Force Commander. Subsequently, the San Diego SPAT joined with the San Diego SAFE Task Force.

The countywide San Diego SAFE Task Force monitors sex offenders through compliance checks, including those on probation and parole. Emphasis is placed on those sex offenders identified with a higher risk to re-offend, such as sexual violent predators, high risk, or sexual habitual offenders.

During 2005 and 2006, the following San Diego County and state law enforcement agencies participated in the SAFE Task Force:

- San Diego County Sheriff's Department
- San Diego Police Department
- San Diego County Probation Department
- San Diego County District Attorney's Office
- CBI

From January 2005 through December 2006, the San Diego Regional Office Sexual Predator Programs arrested 187 offenders. The following chart details a total of 241 offenses for which these individuals were arrested.

San Diego SAFE Task Force	**2005**	**2006**
Parole/Probation Violations	32	18
Failure to Register	72	91
Child Molest/Child Pornography	0	1
Rape/Sexual Assault	0	1
Narcotic Violations	1	8
Weapons Violations	2	2
Other	7	6
Total Arrests	**114**	**127**

Significant Cases - San Diego SAFE Task Force

City of La Mesa Sweep

In March 2005, the San Diego SAFE Task Force, San Diego County Probation Department, Field Action Specialty Team (FAST), California Department of Corrections Parole Division, Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Team, and the La Mesa Police Department (LMPD) conducted a two-day, joint sex offender compliance sweep in the city of La Mesa, California. Participating personnel conducted compliance checks, parole searches, and immigration status checks on registered sex offenders.

Throughout the two-day operation, the San Diego County Probation Department (SDCPD) made seizures, which consisted of one notebook with want ads seeking father/son relationships with young males, adult pornography, a can of pepper spray, four pipes commonly used to smoke

marijuana, and a manila envelope containing letters and pictures from a high-school student to a registered sex offender. Additionally, SDCPD made a referral to the Child Protection Services regarding a nine-year-old boy that was found home alone when agents attempted to contact the sex offender registered at that residence.

As a result of this sweep, seven sex offenders were identified and reported to SDCPD as out of compliance.

High Risk Sex Offender Recovers and Destroys a GPS Unit Hidden on His Vehicle

In September 2005, San Diego SAFE Task Force agents served a search warrant at a residence in Ramona. This is the residence of a former Atascadero State Hospital (ASH) psychologist who, following the release of an adjudicated sexual violent predator, quit her job at ASH and continued to have a personal relationship with the suspect in San Diego County.

The SAFE Task Force received several complaints that the suspect was living with the psychologist at her residence in Ramona and at her former residence in the city of Coronado. The SAFE Task Force conducted several surveillances and interviewed witnesses, which confirmed the suspect was living with the former psychologist at her residence in Ramona (an address he did not register with the San Diego County Sheriff's Department.)

As a result of the above information, the SAFE Task Force installed a GPS vehicle tracking device and a vehicle logger on the suspect's vehicle, a Toyota Pick-up truck. The suspect discovered the devices and contacted the Sacramento Bee Newspaper. The suspect told reporters when he opened one of the GPS units, he saw it had a property sticker that read "State of California, Department of Justice." The Sacramento Bee reporters relayed this information to the SAFE Task Force.

SAFE agents executed a search warrant at the psychologist's residence in Ramona. During the search, SAFE agents discovered clothing, miscellaneous documents, prescription medication, and personal hygiene items belonging to the suspect. SAFE agents interviewed the former psychologist and she indicated she was aware the suspect had discovered the GPS, and she also admitted the suspect stayed at her residence three or four times a week to shower and to do his laundry. The suspect believed if he did not stay five days in a row at this address, he would not have to register as a sex offender at that address.

In addition, SAFE agents served a search warrant at a residence in Santa Ysabel that the suspect listed as his primary home. During the search, SAFE agents discovered a small amount of clothing, several magnets belonging to the GPS device, two rifles, and rifle ammunition. The suspect later admitted he burned and destroyed the GPS equipment.

The suspect was found guilty of failing to register as a sex offender, vandalism, and arson. He was sentenced to two years state prison and ordered to pay $1,926.00 in restitution.

Parolee-at-Large, (PAL) Sex Offender Arrest Nets a Handgun and "ICE"

In May 2006, the San Diego SAFE Task Force received a request for assistance from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Parole Division, to assist in the apprehension of a PAL.

The suspect is a registered sex offender with a history of armed robbery, car theft, assault, and narcotic use. He is also a known white supremacist. In May 2006, the suspect registered as living at an address in El Cajon. Parole and SAFE agents checked this address and determined he was not living there. The suspect had also absconded from parole and a PAL arrest warrant was issued for him.

A SAFE agent spoke with the suspect's mother and obtained the suspect's cellular telephone number. The SAFE agent spoke with the suspect and encouraged him to turn himself in. He carried on a very amicable conversation with the agent, but said he was enjoying life and women, and did not want to update his sex offender registration status or turn himself in.

In June 2006, a citizen informant contacted the SAFE Task Force and reported that the suspect, who was featured on a local television station, Crime Fighters, was in the area of Pacific Beach. SAFE agents, U.S. Marshals, State Parole agents, and San Diego Police Department officers began searching an area of Pacific Beach.

Officers located the suspect's vehicle parked outside of a residence in the area. Officers established surveillance and observed the suspect walking from a residence to his car. As officers approached him, the suspect fled on foot into the backyards of homes. The suspect was apprehended and placed under arrest.

SAFE agents conducted a search of the suspect's vehicle and found a 9mm semi-automatic pistol loaded with a full magazine under the driver's seat. Agents also found quantities of "ICE" (methamphetamine), plastic baggies, and a scale.

The suspect was sentenced for violation of registering as a sex offender, parole violation, possession of methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine for sale, and felon in possession of a firearm. He was sentenced to four years state prison.

Out of Compliance Sex Offender Located in Mexico

During the past two years, the SAFE Task Force has been looking for a suspect who failed to register as a sex offender in San Diego County. The suspect absconded from State Parole and the SAFE Task Force was contacted to assist in the apprehension of the suspect. SAFE obtained an arrest warrant for the suspect for failure to register as a sex offender.

An informant told the San Diego SAFE Task Force the suspect was in Rosarito, Mexico. Although the informant could not provide a specific residence address for the suspect, he did provide several locations the suspect frequented, including a church in Rosarito. According to the informant, the suspect was using an alias.

A SAFE agent coordinated with CBI's Foreign Prosecution & Law Enforcement Unit (FPLEU) in an attempt to locate the suspect in Mexico. The FPLEU contacted the State of Baja, California, Mexico, State Preventative Police-- Policia Estatal Preventiva (PEP) for assistance.

In March 2006, the PEP conducted surveillance at a church in Rosarito, Mexico, and saw the suspect leave. When contacted by the PEP, the suspect gave an alias that was mentioned by the informant. Due to his criminal history, the Mexican Immigration deported him from Mexico immediately and SAFE Task Force agents arrested the suspect at the Mexico/U.S. border as he entered the U.S. The suspect was sentenced to two years in state prison for failing to register as a sex offender.

Significant Cases - Imperial County Field Office SPAT

Writ of Mandate Issued to Superior Court to Vacate Sentence for Sex Offender

In August 2005, a registered sex offender in Imperial County was taken into custody by CBI SPAT agents for failure to register as a sex offender. Later in the month the suspect pled guilty at a pretrial hearing, and he was sentenced. However, the suspect appealed the sentencing and the trial court allowed the suspect to change his plea. The suspect pled no contest to the single count of failure to register. He was sentenced to a suspended two-year midterm, placed on probation, and received credit for time served of 10 days. In response to objections from the Imperial County District Attorney's Office (ICDAO), the trial court stated the suspect's failure to register appeared to have been an "oversight."

SPAT agents contacted the ICDAO upon learning of the suspect's sentence, specifically disagreeing with the credit for the 10 days time served when a mandatory 90-day sentence applied. The ICDAO contacted the Attorney General's Office in San Diego, and in October 2005, the ICDAO filed a petition for writ of mandate with the Court of Appeal - Fourth Appellate District.

Recently, a writ of mandate was issued directing the California Superior Court to vacate the suspect's judgment and the sentence imposed in August 2005, and to hold a new hearing for resentencing. The defendant returned to court with his attorney and subsequently pled guilty. He was sentenced to 90 days county jail.

Sex Offender Registers in San Diego County to Avoid Detection in Imperial County

In August 2005, Imperial County SPAT agents received information from the El Centro Police Department (ECPD) that a registered sex offender had failed to register his current address in El Centro. In 1990, the suspect was convicted in San Diego of multiple counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a minor and was sentenced to three years in prison. He began molesting his stepdaughter at age six, and by age 11, he was having full sexual intercourse with the child.

SPAT agents learned the suspect was currently registered in San Diego County as a "transient." Agents also learned he owned a construction business in Imperial, California, and was allegedly commuting from San Diego to Imperial County on a daily basis with the intent of avoiding his requirement to register as a sex offender in Imperial County. The suspect refused to register with the ECPD fearing the community would know he is a sex offender and his business would suffer.

During the course of a five-day surveillance, SPAT agents were able to establish that this sex offender was residing in El Centro, Imperial County.

In September 2005, SPAT Agents and ECPD detectives contacted the sex offender at his El Centro residence regarding his failure to register as a sex offender. The suspect denied staying at the El Centro address for more than three days. Agents disclosed to the suspect the surveillance operations they had been conducting, at which time, he stated he knew he was breaking the law, but did not want the community to know he was a registered sex offender because he had relatives in the area and his business would suffer.

The suspect subsequently pled guilty to charges of failure to register as a sex offender and was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail.

Training/Education Presentations and Public Events

During 2005 and 2006, the San Diego Regional Office Sexual Predator Programs provided 45 training and education events attended by a total of 1,462 law enforcement and/or the general public. In addition, the San Diego Regional Office participated in 30 public events attended by 1,070 citizens. The training and education, and public events included:

San Diego County SAFE Task Force

- San Diego County Fair at Del Mar (2005 and 2006) Topic: Accessing and Searching the Megan's Law Database via the Internet
- Coronado Fire Department Open House (2005 and 2006) Topic: Accessing and Searching the Megan's Law Database via the Internet

- Sex Offender Management Training for Local Law Enforcement: Topic: Sex Offender Registration, VCIN, Supervised Release File, Legal Update, Sexually Violent Predators, School and University Registration Requirements
- Murrieta High School. Topic: Megan's Law and Protecting Children from Sexual Predators
- Monroe Junior High School. Topic: Megan's Law and Protecting Children from Sexual Predators
- Cherokee Point Elementary School. Topic: Megan's Law and Protecting Children from Sexual Predators
- Miramar Naval Brig. Topic: Inmates responsibility to register with local agency upon release from brig
- Porter Elementary School. Topic: Protecting children from sex offenders and Megan's Law
- San Diego County Investigator's Association. Topic: Sex Offender Management and Megan's Law
- Oceanside Police Department, Patrol Division: Topic: Patrol Officer's contacting 290 Registrants in the Field
- Indian Community Council. Topic: Megan's Law
- Sex Offender Management National Symposium. Topic: California's Violent Crime Information Network (VCIN)
- La Mesa Community Group. Topic: Megan's Law
- Imperial County 10th Annual Youth Conference. Topic: Core Training, Protecting Children from Sexual Predators
- San Diego Mystery Club. Topic: Community Forum on Sex Offenders in the Community
- San Diego County District Attorneys. Topic: NCIC Training
- State Capitol, Public Safety Committee. Topic: Testifying on AB1911, AB1482, AB1502 and AB2636
- Oceanside Police Department. Topic: Sex Offender Management
- Miramar College. Topic: Sex Offender Registration on Campus

- California Coalition on Sex Offenders. Topic: Sex Offender Management
- Women's Republican Group. Topic: Megan's Law, Pending Sex Offender Legislation, Jessica's Law
- Rosa Davis Elementary School. Topic: Megan's Law, Protecting Children from Sexual Predators
- Chula Vista Community Forum. Topic: Sex Offender Education
- Radio Station 107.9 FM. Topic: Jessica's Law
- Primetime. Topic: Documentary Release of Sexually Violent Predator in San Diego County
- Forensic Mental Health Coordinators of California. Topic: Release, Treatment and Monitoring of Sexually Violent Predators.

Imperial County SPAT

- Imperial County Mid-Winter Fair (2005 and 2006) Topic: Accessing and Searching the Megan's Law Database via the Internet.
- Imperial County 10th Annual Youth Conference. Topic: Core Training, Protecting Children from Sexual Predators