

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Jeff Stone

SUBMITTAL DATE: March 24, 2010

SUBJECT: Sexual Predator Identification In Riverside County Via Internet Tracking (S.P.I.R.I. T.)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve this proposal to enhance the sexual registrant monitoring system, currently maintained by the State of California, by instituting the additional elements of this proposal.

Background:

Riverside County has been a national leader in knowing the identity and tracking the whereabouts of sexual registrants located in the County. The **SAFE** (sexual assault felony enforcement) team has been a proactive program in Riverside County ensuring that sexual registrants comply with state reporting laws. As a result of the SAFE team's efforts, **95%** of the registered sex offenders in Riverside County are held in compliance with state reporting laws. The remaining five percent may be dead, homeless, or living in other States.

In addition, Riverside County created the **SPIDER** (sexual predator internet decoy enforcement in Riverside County) program that has successfully arrested and/or convicted over 50 sexual predators attempting to lure young boys and girls via internet conversations. The County has also funded **Valley Watch**, a successful program that alerts citizens in the Hemet/San Jacinto Valley of sexual registrants moving into their neighborhoods, and to educate parents about appropriate oversight of their children's internet activities. While we have done much to protect the public from these sexual deviants, we can always do more in light of the recent tragic loss of Chelsea King and Amber Dubois in San Diego County.

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The following are suggested additional elements of the sexual registrant monitoring system:

1. Establish and continue to monitor a Riverside County Sexual Predator Pin Map on the District Attorney's Internet Website containing all appropriate and legal location information for all sexual registrants in Riverside County. This map and information will be monitored and updated regularly by the Riverside County District Attorney's Office. The District Attorney has determined that the public disclosure of the information about specific offenders by way of the District Attorney internet website is necessary to insure the public safety based upon information available to the District Attorney concerning these specific offenders.
2. The District Attorney's Office will notify residents in neighborhoods where sexual registrants either choose or are assigned to reside.
3. Encourage the District Attorney's Office, the Sheriff's Department, Probation Department, and the S.A.F.E. (Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement) Team to continue their successful work in frequently visiting, confirming location information, and monitoring all sexual registrants in Riverside County, including those residing in group homes.

This is a very aggressive plan to ensure our resolve in Riverside County to aggressively monitor, and arrest sexual registrants for violating their conditions of parole and probation which will minimize the chance that another innocent child's life be taken by these sexual deviants.