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INFORMATION RELEASE Sheriff's Office conducts county wide registered sex offender sweep 08/29/13

The Solano County Sheriff's Office recently conducted a county wide sweep of 290 P.C. sex registrants who reside in Solano County. The sweep began late last week and ended on Tuesday 08/27/13. Several teams were assembled and sent out over a three day period with the specific task of checking to insure that local sex registrants were complying with the terms of their parole or probation as well as verifying the registrants are living at the address they currently have listed on their registration forms.

The Solano County Sheriff's Office, Sheriff's Enforcement Team (SET) oversaw and organized the county wide operation. The sweep was funded through the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) grant that the Solano County Sheriff's Office has participated in since 2008.

The teams consisted of law enforcement officers from the Solano County Sheriff's Office SET Team, the Solano County Sheriff's Office Investigations Bureau, the Solano County Sheriff's Office California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (CAL-MMET), Solano County Narcotics Enforcement Team (SOL-NET), the Solano County Probation Department, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Parole), and the U.S. Marshalls Office.

During the three day sweep 73 compliance checks were conducted on subjects who have prior convictions for sexual offenses and are currently registered sex offenders within Solano County. During the 73 compliance checks officers arrested 17 individuals for not complying with the terms and conditions of their probation or parole. Two of the 17 individuals arrested were also arrested and charged with new crimes, possession of narcotics and possession of live ammunition by a convicted felon.

When asked Sheriff Thomas Ferrara said, "The Solano County Sheriff's Office is committed to protecting all citizens of Solano County from registered sex offenders and the devastation their acts can cause to families". Ferrara also stated, "Continuing checks on registered sex offenders within Solano County is a priority of mine and securing the SAFE grant each year assists the Solano County Sheriff's Office in doing so."

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