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Special Operation: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

WESTMINSTER, CA – On May 12, 2022, at about 5:00 PM, Westminster police detectives, along with Orange County Probation, Homeland Security, and the Orange County Sheriff's Department, conducted a compliance sweep of registered sex offenders in the City of Westminster. An investigation leading up to the operation identified sex registrants who were in violation of their registration requirements, had outstanding arrest warrants, or were on probation with search and seizure.

A total of 25 locations were visited during the operation, which yielded three felony arrests, one for sex registration violation, one for an outstanding arrest warrant, and one for a violation of probation. All the persons arrested were adult males and were booked into the Orange County Jail. Additionally, five other sex offenders were located with technical violations, meaning they had recently missed their date to register. Officers equipped with sex registration forms were able to complete the form, fingerprint and photograph each registrant on-site as a convenient way to bring the person back into compliance.

WPD detectives are continuing the investigation and currently obtaining arrest warrants for the sex offenders who were not located and absconded from their court-mandated requirement to register as a sex offender.

Anyone with additional information can contact the Westminster Police Department at 714-548-3212, or Orange County Crime Stoppers at 1-855-TIP-OCCS or by logging on to www.occrimestoppers.org. Callers can remain anonymous.