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Deputy Suspended After Prostitution Arrest
Police Arrest About 100 People In Massive Sting

KANSAS CITY, Mo. -- A Clay County Sheriff's deputy was one of about 100 people arrested during a massive prostitution sting last week, KMBC's Martin Augustine reported.

20 area police agencies participated in the sting. Police placed phony escort ads in local print publications and online. Officers also answered ads in those same publications to make some of the arrests, Augustine reported.

Undercover officers tracked their leads back to suspects' homes, and teams of police then raided those homes.

Prosecutors across the metro area are beginning to file charges in the cases.

The deputy has been suspended without pay pending an internal investigation

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Priest Arrested In Prostitution Sting
Diocese Puts Priest On Leave

KANSAS CITY, Mo. -- A Catholic priest was one of about 100 people arrested in a recent prostitution sting in the metro area.

Police arrested the Rev. Vincent Rogers (pictured, left) last week, KMBC's Martin Augustine reported. Rogers then notified the diocese bishop about the arrest one day later.

Rogers is the priest of the St. James parish in St. Joseph, Mo.

The diocese said Rogers told the bishop that he'd made phone calls to arrange for a massage. Rogers was arrested shortly after arriving for the appointment.

A statement from the diocese said, "In recognition of the seriousness of this matter, the high standards of priestly accountability and the grave community consequences that result from prostitution, Bishop (Raymond) Boland immediately placed Father Rogers on administrative leave."

Rogers has been a priest for 10 years. Until now, Boland has received no similar complaints about Rogers.