



HUMAN TRAFFICKING BUREAU

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Press Release

Jim McDonnell, Sheriff

Classification:	Human Trafficking Operation	Incident Date:	July 18, 2018
Author / Date / Time:	Lt. Barry Hall, 07-19-18, 1300 hours	Incident Time:	1300-2300 hours

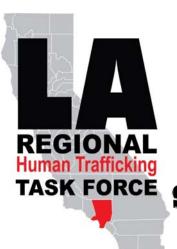
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Incident Locations	Long Beach Boulevard and Elm Street, Compton
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The Los Angeles Regional Human Trafficking Taskforce, along with deputies from Compton Sheriff's Station, conducted a human trafficking operation in the city of Compton on Wednesday, July 18, 2018. During the operation, detectives arrested 36 adults and rescued two female juveniles, ages 16 and 17, who they identified as commercially sexually exploited children. One of the females was released to the care of the Department of Children and Family Services and the other to the Probation Department as she had an arrest warrant from San Bernardino County.

Twelve adult females were arrested for the charge of Loitering for the Purposes of Prostitution and two females were arrested for Solicitation of Prostitution after they solicited sex for money from undercover Sheriff's Detectives. Each of them were offered victim-centered services from Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Services (LEADS). Seven of the females were identified as victims of human trafficking and accepted ongoing services. The remaining females were booked at the Century Regional Detention Facility.

Twenty of those arrested were male adults who solicited undercover Sheriff's deputies for various sex acts. Those males were transported and booked at the Century Regional Detention Facility.

Rajene Robinson, a 20 year old female from Santa Clarita, was arrested for the charge of Pandering after she attempted to recruit an undercover Sheriff's Deputy to work for her as a commercial sex worker. A 23 year old male from Riverside, who was in the company of Ms.





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Robinson, was arrested for Carrying a loaded Firearm in a Vehicle and Supervising a Prostitute. Both were booked at the Century Regional Detention Center.

The operation included task force partners from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (F.B.I.), the District Attorney's Office (LADA), the California Highway Patrol (CHP), Los Angeles Unified School Police (LAUSD), State Parole, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) the Los Angeles County Probation Department, the Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking (CAST), Saving Innocence, and the Department of Children and Family Services.

For additional information contact:

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Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to contact the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Human Trafficking Bureau at (323) 526-5156. If you prefer to provide information anonymously, you may call "Crime Stoppers" by dialing (800) 222-TIPS (8477), use your smartphone by downloading the "P3 Tips" Mobile APP on Google play or the Apple App Store or by using the website http://lacrimestoppers.org.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff Department's Human Trafficking Bureau houses the LA Regional Human Trafficking Task Force, the nation's largest co-located human trafficking task force. The Task Force is a collaboration of federal, state, county and local law enforcement, social service agency and non-government and community-based organizations investigating and serving the needs of commercially exploited adults and minors victimized for the purpose of sex and labor.

The LA Regional Human Trafficking Task Force brings together systems and disciplines to address the victim's needs through a victim centered, trauma informed approach. The task force employs a regionalized strategy that crosses jurisdictional boundaries to identify and rescue victims while aggressively pursuing traffickers and buyers.





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United States Attorney's Office

Homeland Security Investigations (ICE)

Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Marshals Service

United States Department of Labor

State

California Attorney General

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (State Parole)

California Employment Development Department

California Highway Patrol

County

LA County Sheriff's Department

LA County District Attorney's Office (DA & DA Investigator)

Department of Children and Family Services

LA County Probation Department

LA County Department of Public Health

City

Los Angeles City Attorney's Office

Los Angeles Police Department

Los Angeles Unified School District Police Department

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Northridge Hospital Center for Assault Services

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The Guardian Group (Hotel/Motel Outreach, Education and Signage)

Los Angeles County Sheriff Clergy Council

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