

Governor Ducey's Arizona Human Trafficking Council

Full Council Meeting
April 9, 2019



Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEaT)

Mesa Police Department



Facts about the Mesa HEaT Unit

- 1 Sergeant, 2 Detectives, 1 Civilian Investigator
- Housed in the Mesa Family Advocacy Center
 - Victim Advocates on-site
 - SANE Exams on-site
 - Non-confrontational environment with soft interview rooms
 - Digital Forensics Unit and Internet Crimes Against Children
 - Missing Persons Unit
 - Special Victim's Unit
 - Office of Child Welfare Investigations

Overview and mission of the Mesa HEaT Unit

- HEaT Unit Mission: The HEaT Unit engages in a multi-disciplinary, comprehensive, and proactive approach to Human Exploitation and Trafficking through investigation, prevention, education, and advocacy.
- The vast majority of our Human Trafficking cases are Sex Trafficking cases.
- The Mesa HEaT Unit identifies victims and suspects in the Human Trafficking industry that affect the City of Mesa. Once the victim is identified the HEaT Unit provides resources to them. The unit builds cases on traffickers to bring them to justice. We also provide education and training internally to City of Mesa employees and externally to community partners, groups and at risk children.
- We work collaboratively to fight human trafficking with several Non-Governmental Organizations, The Arizona Attorney General's Office and other Law Enforcement partners.

Proactive Operations

- No Mulligans (HSI, Tempe, AG, Mesa) 48 deals for child sex/child sex trafficking, 20 arrests for child sex crimes
- November Rain (HSI, Scottsdale) 25 deals for sex, 6 arrests (both child and adult op)
- Degrostring (Mesa, Gilbert, Chandler, Tempe, AG) 65 deals for child sex/child sex trafficking, 25 arrests
- Eagle's Nest: 16 arrests, 139 responses to decoy ads – Adult prostitution
- Rocket: 21 arrests, 470 responses to our decoy ads – Adult prostitution
- Can't Touch This: 5 arrests, 81 people responded to ads – Child sex trafficking operation

Operation No Mulligans

- LEO Partnership: Mesa, Tempe, AZ AG Investigator, HSI.
- Arizona Attorney General's Office prosecution.
- Operational equipment / overtime funded by the Hickey Family Foundation.
- Operational equipment and Mobile Forensic Lab was donated by Operation Underground Railroad (OUR).
- HEaT/ICAC started chatting prior to the operation with a goal of proactively stopping exploitation of children.
- One week of full operation / 4 active days and month of residual cases.
- 2 main models used:
 - Model 1: Made deals acting as traffickers selling kid(s) for sex.
 - Model 2: Made up deals for Exploitation / Child Prostitution cases.
 - Emphasis on child exploitation.
 - Chats online generally as 14 year old or younger.
 - Focuses on the sex act itself, but accepted any online child sexual exploitation cases.



Horacio Mendoza



Mico Cano



Matthew Arnold



Stuart Ziegler



Jonathan Equire-
Mendivil



Michael Walker



Christopher
Nuttall



Vincent Ciliberti



Ernest Renteria



Ricardo Medina



Michael Richards



Kenneth Nelson



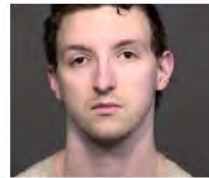
Lorenzo Ramirez



Raymond
Hammers



Charles Shumway



Brandon Wycoff



Mario Remigio



Kenneth Nelson

- Tempe IR: 19-18805
- Charge: Attempted child sex trafficking and possession of sexually exploitive images of a minor (child porn).
- Nelson is a registered Sex Offender on probation

Nelson made a deal for sex for money for a 14 year old. Suspect requested sex with a 1 to 6 year old child. Suspect stated he would pay a finder fee for the facilitation for sex with a “toddler”. He explained he had child porn on his computer. Emergency orders were written for location and subscriber information. Search warrants were served on devices and his residence in New River, AZ.



Dakota Reaney

- Tempe IR 19-13759
- Charge: Luring, attempted sex conduct with a minor
- A deal was made for oral sex with a 14 year old boy. Dakota brought condoms and Reese's peanut butter cups. During the interview Dakota disclosed multiple other victims that he previously molested. He explained he has shared child porn in the past. He disclosed victims as young as 3 years old. Approximately a dozen search warrants have been executed in an attempt to find the names and locations of other victims. Other known victim(s) were found and forwarding those cases to appropriate jurisdictions.



Matthew Arnold

- Mesa DR 20190330294
- Charges: Money Laundering, attempted sex conduct with a minor, child sex trafficking
- The suspect made a deal for sex trafficking (child prostitution). The suspect arranged to purchase a child for sexual purposes. The deal involved \$300 to take the virginity of 13 year old child. Arnold provided Victoria's Secret bras and panties he wanted the child to dress in. Arnold agreed to wear a condom which he brought.

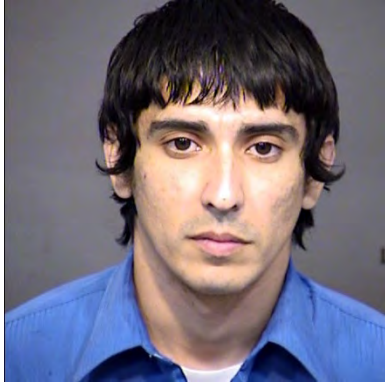


Vincent Ciliberti

- Tempe IR 19-13266.
- Charge: Luring, attempted sex conduct with a minor
- Deal was for sex with a 14 year old male. The suspect is a teacher and a football coach at Mountain Ridge High School (Deer Valley School District).
- Other case(s) developed from this arrest.

Mico Cano

“Teacher of Teachers”



- Mesa DR 20190370462
- Charges: Luring, Attempted Sexual Contact
- Cano was seeking sex with a 14 year old female. He purchased condoms near the arrest location (Stapley and Southern). Condoms and rope were located in this car. The suspect stated he was on a work break and he is employed at the Paradise Valley School District (Program Lead – Childcare). He stated that he was searching for an adult for a threesome with his wife, but when he found out she was a 14 year old he was keeping her for himself. He added that his wife did not know he was doing this.



Theodore Windish

- Mesa DR 20190570547
- Windish made a deal to purchase a 13 year old female for sex for \$300 during the operation time. Windish then re-contacted SA Schmeiser on 2-28-19. A deal was set up and Windish was arrested.
- Windish is an Investigative Lead for a Mesa burglary involving stolen firearms.

Operation No Mulligans summary

Criminal:

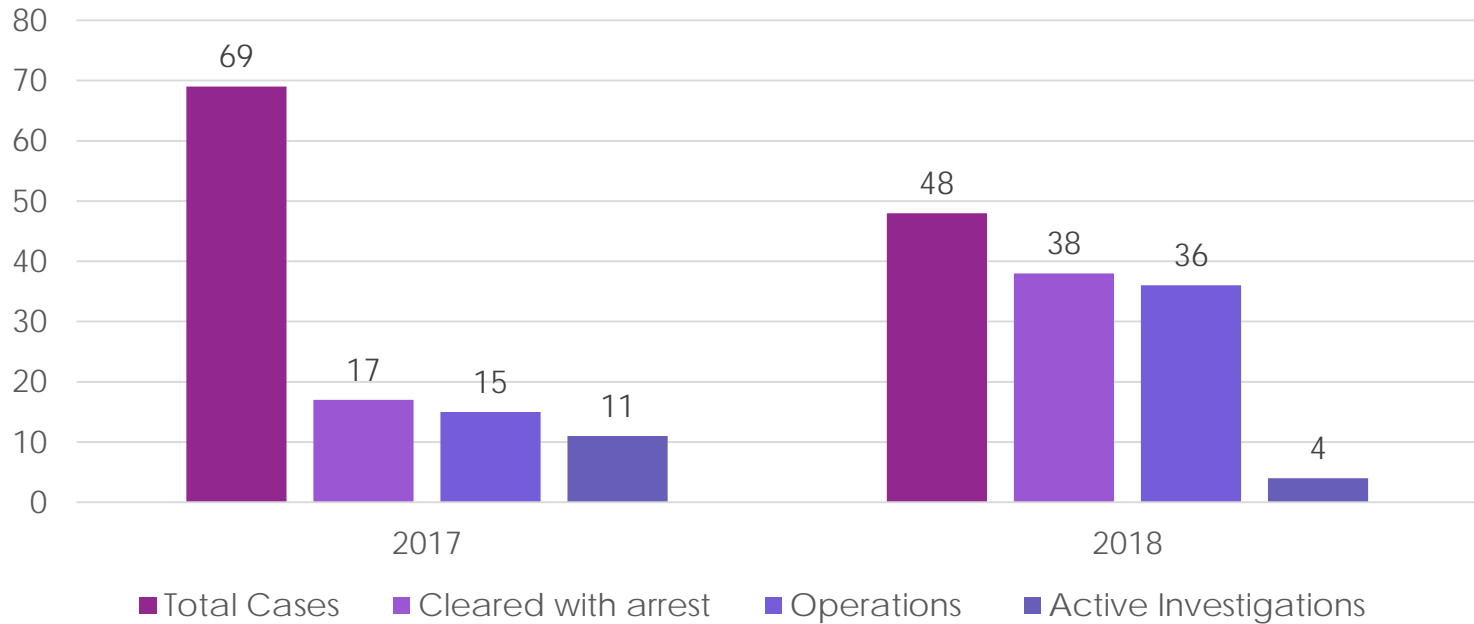
- 20 in-custody arrests
- 48 felony child sex deals were made
- Additional victims and cases located

Education (AI):

- 53 buyers of sex
- 220 SMS messages
- 46 phone calls
- 100% deliverability



Overall Human Trafficking cases



MMIC – Protocol

- Working with Maricopa Mercy Integrated Care.
- 142 Kids referred to this program through the protocol
- Mesa had the second highest juvenile population referred.
- Assisted in teaching the protocol to law enforcement in Mesa and Pinal County.
- Also taught the protocol to group homes, foster parents, Maricopa County Juvenile Courts, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation.



Education / Prevention

- Opal
- High risk group home visits
- Other Law Enforcement Agencies
- St. Benedictine
- ASU
- Mesa Rotary Club
- ASPIRE Police and Fire Academy
- NGO Partnerships presentations



- Louis Broadway – Phillips
- “ Lourock B”
- 24 years old
- Connections to California and Las Vegas
- Stated he was
- “Promoting clothing”
- Rap videos



BBLU 602 = Bad Bitches
Link Up 602



4 Juveniles recovered from
being trafficked



4 adults recovered from
being trafficked



1 Pimp arrested



4 search warrants
written



Additional victims
identified

Investigation

- Missing juvenile is located in hotel in Mesa.
- Disclosed prostitution and being trafficked.
- Ads located on Backpage.com (prior to shut down)
- Phone numbers linked to additional ads with unidentified females
- Facebook and Instagram used to recruit and traffic females
- Clothing line was used to recruit women at ASU parties
- Warrants on social media identified additional females in ads and who were recruited.

Charges – 11 counts total of

Child sex trafficking

Sex trafficking

Pandering

Illegally conducting an enterprise

Money laundering

Receiving earnings of prostitution

Thank You

Sergeant Nick Lien

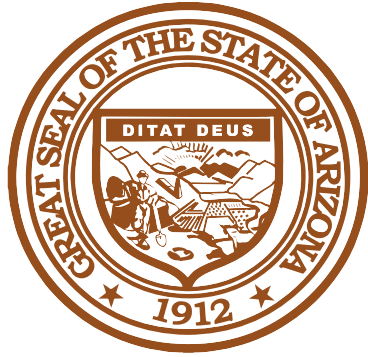
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Welcome!



From All of Us at

Arizona Human Trafficking Council

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Mission Statement

BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE®

(B.A.C.A.) exists with the intent to create a safer environment for abused children. We exist as a body of bikers to empower children to not feel afraid of the world in which they live. We stand ready to lend support to our wounded friends by involving them with an established, united organization. We work in conjunction with local and state officials who are already in place to protect children. We desire to send a clear message to all involved with the abused child that this child is part of our organization, and that we are prepared to lend our physical and emotional support to them by affiliation, and our physical presence. We stand at the ready to shield these children from further abuse. We do not condone the use of violence or physical force in any manner, however, if circumstances arise such that we are the only obstacle preventing a child from further abuse, we stand ready to be that obstacle.



Organization

- Founded in 1995 in Provo, Utah
- Now in 17 countries and 48 States
- Same processes and procedures across the entire organization – ONE B.A.C.A.
- Registered 501-C3, funded by donations
- Empowered over 20,000 abused kids
- Attended over 16,000 court sessions
- Work with hundreds of Arizona kids each year



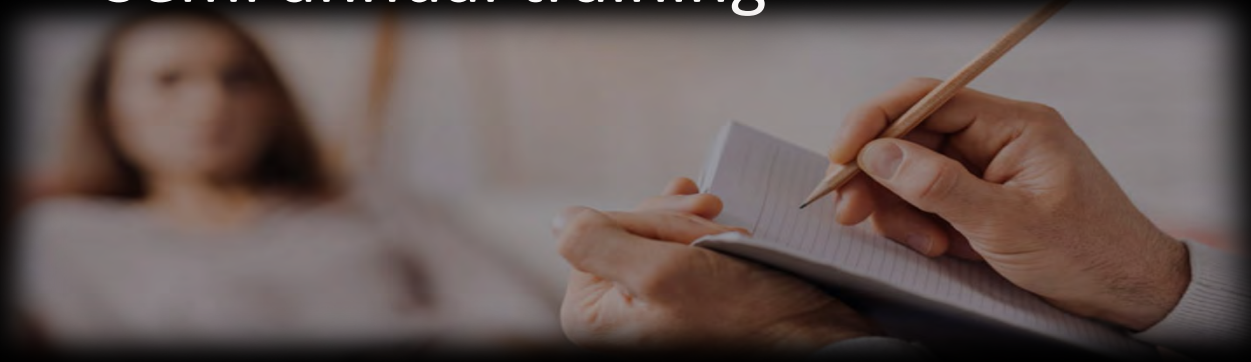
Membership

- All Committed Volunteers
- No Paid Employees
- Background Checked (NCIC)
- 1 Year Minimum to be Eligible for Patch
 - Sponsor
 - Training
 - Riding
- Patch = Primary to a Child
 - Available 24/7/365 to Child



Clinical Advisors

- Clinicians by profession
- Address clinical questions
- Debriefing / Destressing
- Semi annual training



Research

- Evaluation of **B.A.C.A.**[®] Program
- Accepted for publication Aug 2017
- Journal *Evaluation and Program Planning*
- Investigators:
 - Dr. Dee Ray, Univ of North Texas, Denton
 - Dr. Nancy Gallina, Touro Univ, NY
 - Dr. Paula Maclan (Doc), Clinical Advisor

- **B.A.C.A.**[®] makes a

“Statistically Significant Difference”



Research

- 4 year time frame
- Participants - 154 children in 16 states
- Ages ranged from 3-18 years old
- Decreases in
 - Emotional Stress
 - Conduct problems
 - Hyperactivity/Attentional Problems
 - Peer Problems

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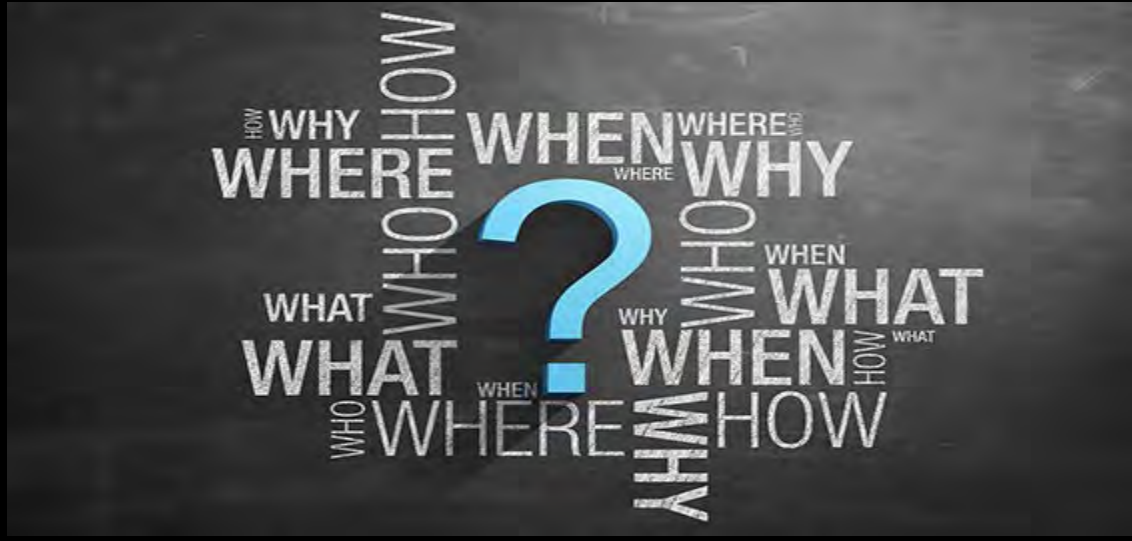


Request

- Double BACA's Impact in Arizona in 12 months
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
 - Declare BACA is an authorized group to work with abused kids in Arizona
 - Develop an efficient process to confirm and communicate information
 - Conduct periodic review and feedback meetings



Questions



Thank You

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