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**SUBJECT:** SCAN Unit Conducts Three-Day Operation

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**NATURE OF INCIDENT:**

**CASE NO.:**

**INCIDENT DATE:**

**INCIDENT TIME:**

**INCIDENT LOCATION:**

SCAN Unit Conducts Three-Day Operation

On Tuesday, June 28, the Duluth Police Department's SCAN Unit and the U.S. Marshal's Office conducted a three-day operation tracking down non-compliant predatory offenders and compliance checks on registered offenders throughout St. Louis County.

During this three-day operation, many offenders were contacted and brought into compliance and had compliance checks done on them. Compliance checks ensure offenders living within our jurisdiction are in compliance with their registry. Offenders who do not follow the registration requirements are deemed 'non-compliant' and may be prosecuted for the felony crime of failure to register as a predatory offender.

There are 309 people in the City of Duluth who are currently on the Minnesota Predatory Offender Registry by the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. Thirty-four offenders are currently listed as non-compliant, with one Level-Three offender, indicating a high likelihood to re-offend.

"The Duluth Police Department is committed to keeping our community safe and informed about predatory offenders," said Jeremy Graves, SCAN Unit Sergeant. "We are investigating leads and will request criminal charges on offenders who aren't in compliance."

The Minnesota Predatory Offender Registry was established in 1991. The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension maintains the predatory offender list. People who are required by the courts to register must provide information about their primary and secondary address, employment, and vehicles. People convicted of certain types of crimes are required to register in Minnesota. Crimes include; murder, criminal sexual conduct, felony-level indecent exposure, soliciting a minor to engage in sexual conduct, possession of child pornography, kidnapping, and false imprisonment.

If you have any information on non-compliant offenders, you are urged to contact your local law enforcement agency. You can also submit an anonymous tip on the BCA website at [BCA.POR.Websitequestions@state.mn.us](mailto:BCA.POR.Websitequestions@state.mn.us).

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