

## NOTICE OF COMMUNITY MEETING REGARDING SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR(S)

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY: GRAND JUNCTION POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Your presence is requested at a Community Meeting.**

**Date: Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008**

**Time: 7:00 P.M.**

**Location: City Hall Auditorium  
250 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Grand Junction, CO 81501**



Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 16-13-901 through 16-13-905, the meeting is being held to provide information concerning the release of a Sexually Violent Predator into this community. Educational information regarding sexual offending will also be presented by a team of professionals involved in the management of sex offenders in our community. The goal of the meeting is to enhance public safety and protection.

VIGILANTISM, OR USE OF THIS INFORMATION TO HARASS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IS CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR AND WILL NOT BE TOLERATED: THE OFFENDER, THE OFFENDER'S SIGNIFICANT OTHERS, AND THE COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION TEAM.

The individual subjects of the notification have been convicted of sex offenses that require law enforcement registration. Further, they have been determined to present a high potential to re-offend and are therefore subject to community notification regarding their residence in this community.

This law enforcement agency has no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may live. Unless court restrictions exist, they are constitutionally free to live wherever they choose. Sex offenders have always lived in our communities, but they were not required to notify law enforcement of their residence until registration laws were implemented pursuant to the Jacob Wetterling Act in 1994. Law enforcement may now share that information with members of their communities, and in the case of Sexually Violent Predators, law enforcement must actively notify citizens.

Due to the mature content of the information that will be presented, it is not advisable to bring children to the meeting. It is strongly encouraged that the appropriate SVP information and public safety information presented be reviewed with children after the meeting. **Children under 15 unaccompanied by an adult will not be permitted to attend the meeting. Parents are discouraged from bringing children under the age of 15.**

It is requested that your organization designate 1-2 representatives to attend the meeting and receive the notification materials.

If you have questions, please call Kate Porras at (970) 244-3601. If you cannot attend the Community Meeting you may call to schedule an appointment to meet with Lorie Wilkins to obtain information provided at the meeting.

**This meeting will be televised live from City Hall on local Cable Channel 12.**

