



# SHERIFF

WASHINGTON COUNTY

## Media Release

### Detectives Arrest Bethany Man During Child Predator Sting Operation

July 5, 2018 – Beginning July 3, 2018, detectives from the Washington County Sheriff's Office Violent Crimes Unit began conducting a child predator sting operation to proactively combat child exploitation. During the mission, detectives posed as a 15-year-old girl and used various social media platforms to communicate with individuals seeking sexual acts with a minor.

Over a two-day period, detectives communicated with a 37-year-old man who engaged in explicit communication and later arranged to meet for sexual contact. The man knew he was corresponding with an individual identifying as 15-years-old.

On July 4, 2018, at 11:20 a.m., detectives arrested the suspect, Abdullah Sevincer of Bethany, when he arrived at a meeting location in the Tanasbourne area. Detectives located evidence in his possession corroborating his intent to engage in sexual contact.

Mr. Sevincer was booked at the Washington County Jail on one count of luring a minor, a felony. The case has been referred for prosecution to the Washington County District Attorney's Office, a collaborative partner in the ongoing mission to protect victims of sexual exploitation and violence.



The Washington County Sheriff's Office continues to conduct proactive missions as part of ongoing efforts to combat human trafficking and child exploitation. Last month, seven local law enforcement agencies from across the Portland metro area conducted a joint mission to proactively combat human trafficking in the region, resulting in 37 individuals being charged for prostitution-related crimes. [\[read more\]](#)

Detectives would like to remind parents to monitor cell phone and computer use, set parental controls on electronic devices, and educate their children about the dangers online. The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) offers tips to help parents on how to be aware and involved. [\[read more\]](#)