Sex Offender Drives 450 Miles Hoping to Meet Child, Gets Arrested Instead

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On September 23, 2020, Washington County Sheriff’s Office detectives arrested a registered sex offender who drove more than 450 miles planning to meet a child for sex.

For almost two years, Allen Grady Williams communicated with a child he believed to be a 15-year-old girl. Instead, Mr. Williams was talking with undercover detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit. Mr. Williams, who is 48 years old and lives in Colville, WA, was arrested when he showed up at a pre-arranged meeting spot.

He was lodged at the jail on charges of online sexual corruption of a child in the first degree and luring a minor. Mr. Williams has been a registered sex offender since 2002.

Detectives maintain an undercover online presence on multiple social media platforms and applications and conduct targeted operations designed to find would-be child predators. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of the resources available to help teach kids about internet safety, especially as many households use distance learning for school.