

MEDIA RELEASE

'Operation Oregon Lion' Results in Nearly 1,000 Sex Offender Compliance Checks September 17, 2021

Members of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, spearheaded by our Sheriff's Office [Criminal Apprehension Team](#) with support from the [U.S. Marshals Service](#) and [Oregon State Police](#), recently combined their efforts during *Operation Oregon Lion*. The mission's priority was to target non-compliance sex offenders residing in Washington County. Oregon law requires registered sex offenders to comply with all sex offender laws and registration requirements.

Operation Oregon Lion resulted in 993 sex offender compliance checks conducted within Washington County from July 1 to August 31, 2021. The two-month operation focused on conducting compliance checks on sex offenders at their last reported residence, as well as investigating and locating non-compliance sex offenders. Non-compliant sex offenders include individuals who are in violation of their sex offender registration requirements.

Operation Oregon Lion results:

- 993 compliance checks – last reported as residing in Washington County
- Of those, 30 were identified as not residing at their reported residence
- 38 arrests/citations
- 15 cleared warrants
- 27 charges for ORS 163A.040 – Failure to Report as Sex Offender
- 5 additional unrelated charges

The Sheriff's Office, U.S. Marshals Service and Oregon State Police all share the responsibility of supporting missions such as *Operation Oregon Lion*, to lower the risk that non-complaint offenders pose to public safety and reduce the number of future incidents from reoccurring.

We would like to thank both agencies for their partnership.

For additional information regarding sex offender reporting requirements, please visit the Oregon State Police Sex Offender Registration page: <https://www.oregon.gov/osp/programs/SOR/Pages/default.aspx>



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