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Good afternoon residents of Surprise,

I'm Terry Young, YOUR Surprise Police Chief. I wanted to share an important update regarding the sex offender community notification issue that we told you about last month.

On January 18, we announced a situation regarding our process for making sex offender community notifications. We advised that during calendar years 2016 and 2017 there were 22 community notifications that were not completed; and 10 offenders who had not been evaluated to determine whether or not they were subject to community notification. At that time, we promised to complete the backlogged notifications by the end of March 2018.

As of February 14, we have completed all past due evaluations/notifications.

We appreciate the support and understanding we received from our community as we worked to correct this situation. YOUR Surprise Police Department remains committed to the safety of our community. As such, we have provided additional oversight for the sex offender notification process and have taken steps to ensure such a lapse does not occur again.

In addition to the sex offender community notifications, you can also visit the Arizona Department of Public Safety's Sex Offender Registration website to identify whether there are registered sex offenders living near you. Here is the link:

<http://www.icrimewatch.net/index.php?AgencyID=55662>. To view crime and police activity in your neighborhood or sign up to receive crime alerts you can visit [www.communitycrimemap.com](http://www.communitycrimemap.com).

If you have any questions regarding sex offender community notifications, please contact our Criminal Investigations Division Commander Johnson at 623-222-4048. All other questions can be directed to the Surprise Police Department at 623-222-4000.

It's our honor to serve YOU!

Terry Young