

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office
Joe Arpaio, Sheriff
News Brief

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Operation nets 116 Arrests Including 25 Illegal Aliens near Wickenburg

Within the last nine days, the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Illegal Immigration Interdiction unit and the Maricopa County Neighborhood Narcotics Enforcement Team have arrested 116 individuals in Operation Northern Star, a Wickenburg area crime suppression effort designed, in part, to assist the Wickenburg Police Department.

According to Sheriff Joe Arpaio, of the 116 apprehensions, 25 illegal aliens were arrested under state and federal immigration laws. The remaining arrests included suspects taken into custody for outstanding warrants, drug offenses, and traffic offenses including driving under the influence; numerous drug seizures were also made during the operation.

Arpaio says, "Using Sheriff's deputies who have received training from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, we have cracked down in Cave Creek and Wickenburg, now we will continue into other areas of the County."

Operational totals:

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DUI arrests	5
Drug arrests	16
Civil citations	128
Criminal citations	48
Recovered autos	0
Recovered stolen property	0
Juvenile Referrals	1
Felony Warrants	6
Misdemeanor Warrants	14
Warrants worked	43

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