

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office

Joe Arpaio, Sheriff



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Seven More Illegal Aliens Arrested by Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Human Smuggling Unit

Illegal Immigration Enforcement Continues

(Phoenix, AZ) The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Human Smuggling Unit arrested seven illegal aliens last night in the north valley. Deputies stopped a late model Chrysler for a speeding violation.

Inside the vehicle were seven people, all later determined by deputies to be illegal aliens who agreed to pay between \$1100 and \$2000 for illegal entry into the United States. Their destination was California. All were booked into the Fourth Avenue Jail on felony human smuggling charges, Sheriff Joe Arpaio says.

The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office is the only law enforcement agency in the state of Arizona to enforce all aspects of the state human smuggling laws, resulting in the arrests of over 2,300 illegal aliens involved in human smuggling.

Sheriff Arpaio says that Operation Desert Sky, a county wide initiative by the Sheriff to crack down on illegal human and drug trafficking has so far netted 148 arrests (113 illegal aliens, the remainder US citizens) and 2630 pounds of marijuana.

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