

# Maricopa County Sheriff's Office

## Joe Arpaio, Sheriff



Date: September 28, 2007

**EMBARGO UNTIL 12:00PM TODAY**

### **SHERIFF'S WARRANT ROUND UP... OPERATION "FUGITIVE LOCK UP" CONCLUDES TODAY**

*month-long operation nets hundreds of arrests*

(Phoenix, AZ) A month long warrant operation ended today, Friday, September 28, 2007, and Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio says already 300 people have been arrested and over 450 active warrants have been cleared. More arrests are expected to be made today.

Beginning at 5:00am this morning, and throughout the day, warrants will be executed across the county and several more unsuspecting criminals will be taken into custody, brought to a parking lot at 3325 West Durango Road, and processed into jail. At 12:00pm, the Sheriff will meet with the media at the command post.

The Sheriff's Office is the housing authority for the warrants database. Currently, the database has 70,000 warrants and it grows by 800 to 1000 new warrants each week, Arpaio says. Keeping the database current is a critical component of the work done by Sheriff's deputies, and local law enforcement officers, who arrest these fugitives.

During Operation Fugitive Lock-Up Deputy Sheriffs spread across the county into nearly every city and town to track down and apprehend these wanted fugitives. The efforts of the Sheriff's deputies have resulted in yet another successful warrant reduction operation conducted by the Sheriff Office, an operation among other innovative programs that involve law enforcement and the community to reduce the fugitive population in our cities and towns.

Another such crime program that uses technology and the World Wide Web is the

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TechnoCop program, a web-warrant tool, initiated by Arpaio to encourage the public to help find and bring fugitives to justice. The warrants database is on the Sheriff's website ([www.mcso.org](http://www.mcso.org)) and people can email the Office anonymously with tips on the whereabouts of those wanted by law enforcement regardless of jurisdiction. Also, this information has been placed on Sheriff's jail transportation vans for the public to view and call in tips.

So far, citizen tips emailed into the Technocop webpage have resulted in dozens of arrests made by Sheriff's deputies and armed posse members.

"People with outstanding warrants are sometimes hostile and do commit violent acts, and it is important to arrest these criminals and put them behind bars," says Arpaio.

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