



# Community Notification and Education Meeting

## Plymouth Police Department

November 19, 2019

# Agenda

1. Registration
2. Registrants in the community
3. Community notification
4. Risk level assignment
5. L3 person
6. Resources
7. Questions

# Registrants Among Us

- Registrants and those with a history of sex offending have always lived in our communities
- It's likely they live, work, and interact in every community in Minnesota



# Registration

Established July 1, 1991

*Administered by the MN Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA)*

Contents of registration:

- Addresses
- Employment
- School/vocation
- Vehicles

# Registration

Registration is required if an individual is convicted, charged, or adjudicated delinquent for specific crimes:

- Criminal Sexual Conduct
- Any sexual conduct involving a minor including possession of child pornography.
- Kidnapping
- False Imprisonment

# Registration

As of July 1, 2019, there were approximately **18,000** people required to register in Minnesota

- As of November 14<sup>th</sup> 2019:
  - **2671** registrants in Hennepin County <sup>(140)</sup>
    - 62 of those in the City of Plymouth* <sup>(1)</sup>
  - **536** registrants in Anoka County <sup>(14)</sup>
  - **1407** registrants in Ramsey County <sup>(66)</sup>
  - **231** registrants in Wright County <sup>(3)</sup>
  - **94** registrants in Carver County <sup>(1)</sup>

# Community Notification

- Established January 1, 1997
- Minn. Stat. § 244.052

# Community Notification

## Applies to:

- Registrants released from prison
- Registrants from other states or federal jurisdiction who were released from prison (including military)
- Those civilly committed for sexual offense behavior

## Does not apply to:

- Those with juvenile registration offense only
- Registrants sentenced to probation only



# Community Notification

## Department of Corrections

- Responsible for assessing risk and assigning risk levels

## Law Enforcement

- Responsible for community notification
  - *Scope of notification based on assigned risk level*

# Risk Levels

- Level 1—Lower Risk
  - Law enforcement may notify other law enforcement agencies
  - Law enforcement shall notify victims and witnesses of the offense
  - Law enforcement shall notify adult household members

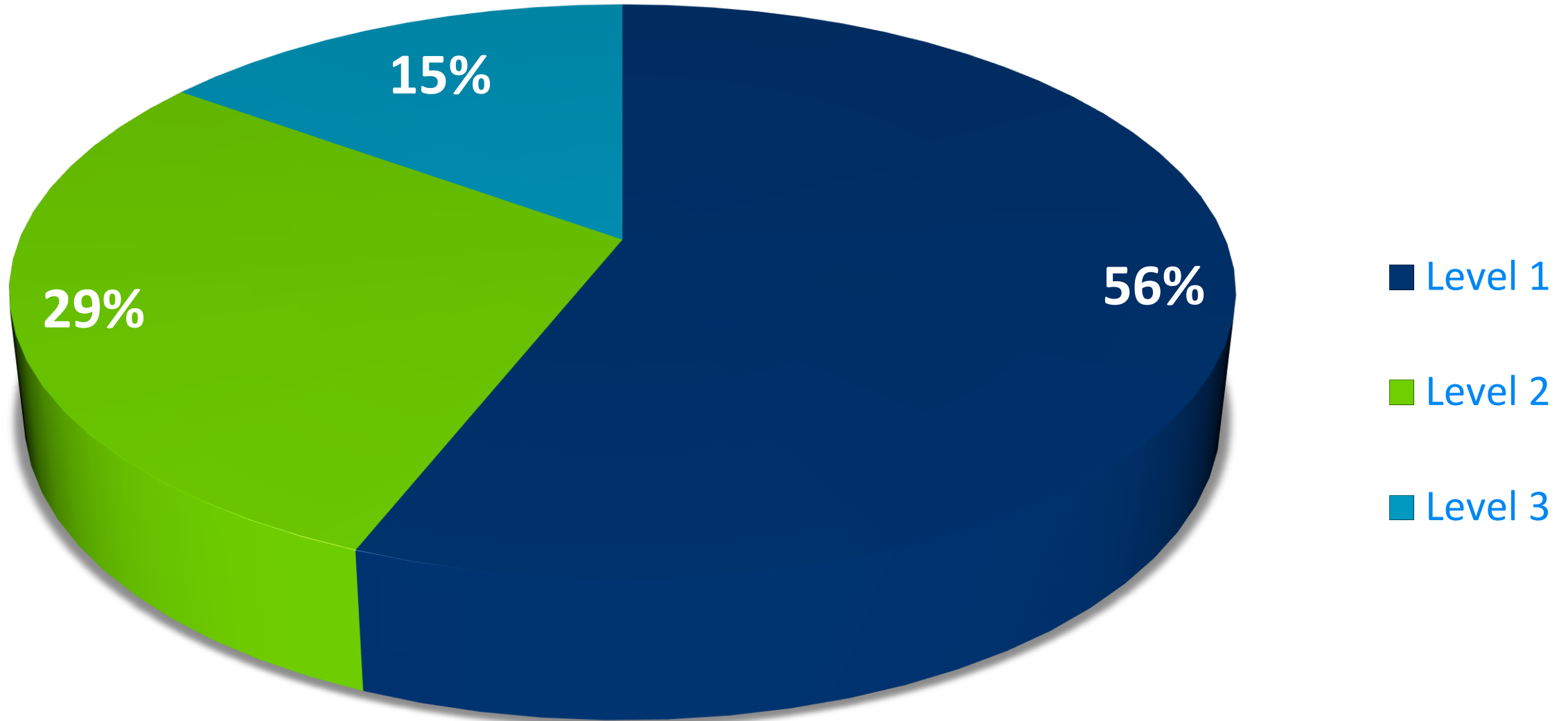
# Risk Levels

- Level 2—Moderate Risk
  - In addition to Level 1 notifications, law enforcement may notify individuals or organizations based on the registrant's particular offense pattern or history

# Risk Levels

- Level 3—Higher Risk
  - Broad public notification/disclosure
    - DOC public registrant website
    - Public notification meeting
    - Media (newspaper, radio, television, etc.)
    - Agency website
    - Social media
    - Door-to-door flyers

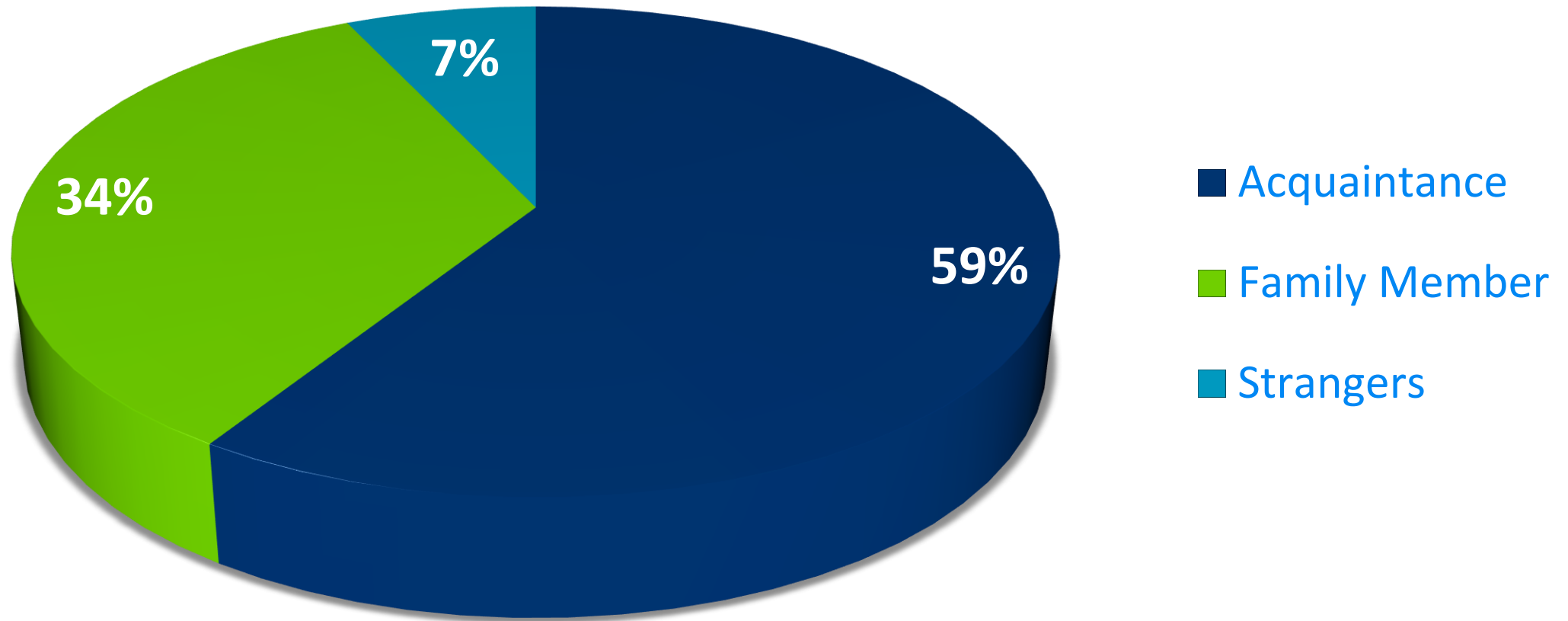
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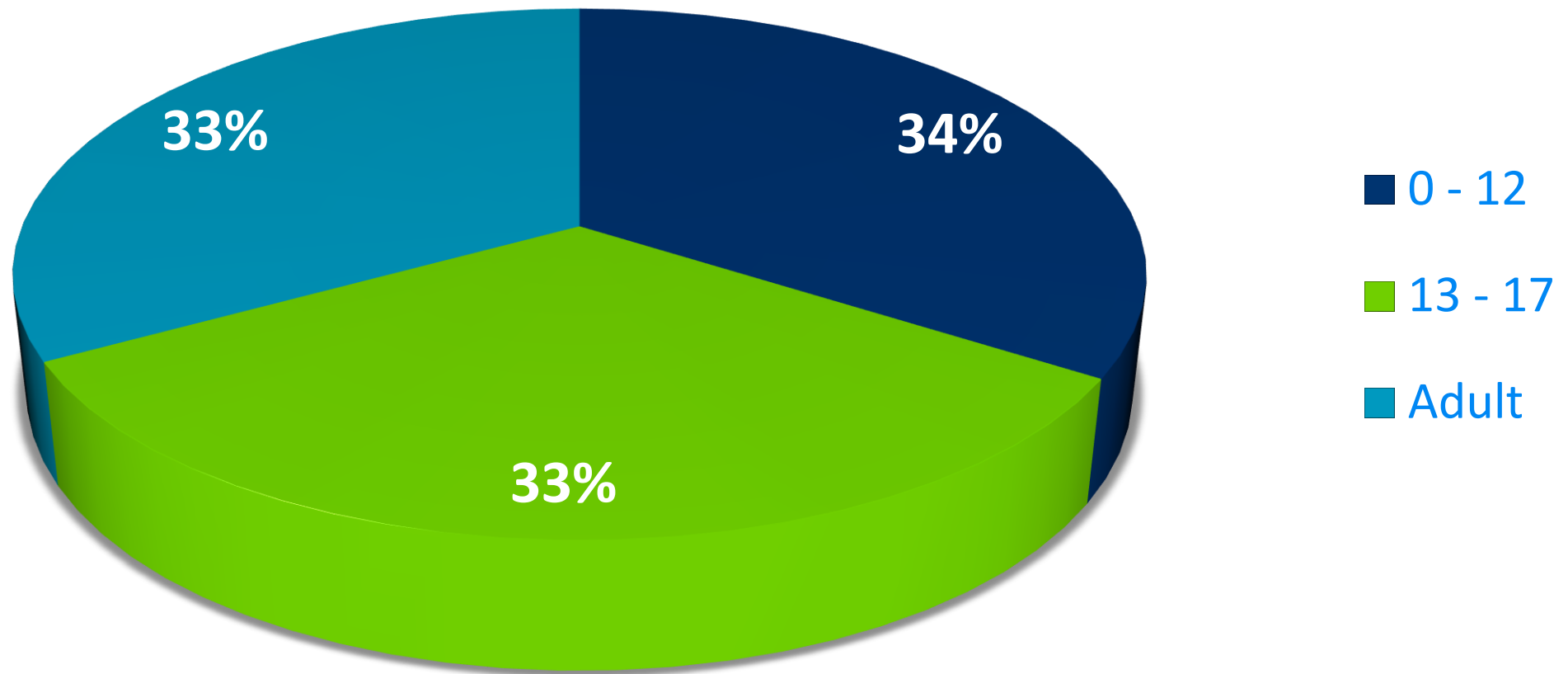
# Those subject to broad public disclosure

- As of November 14<sup>th</sup> 2019, there were **406** registrants subject to broad public disclosure residing in Minnesota communities

# Children and Teen Victims Know the Perpetrator



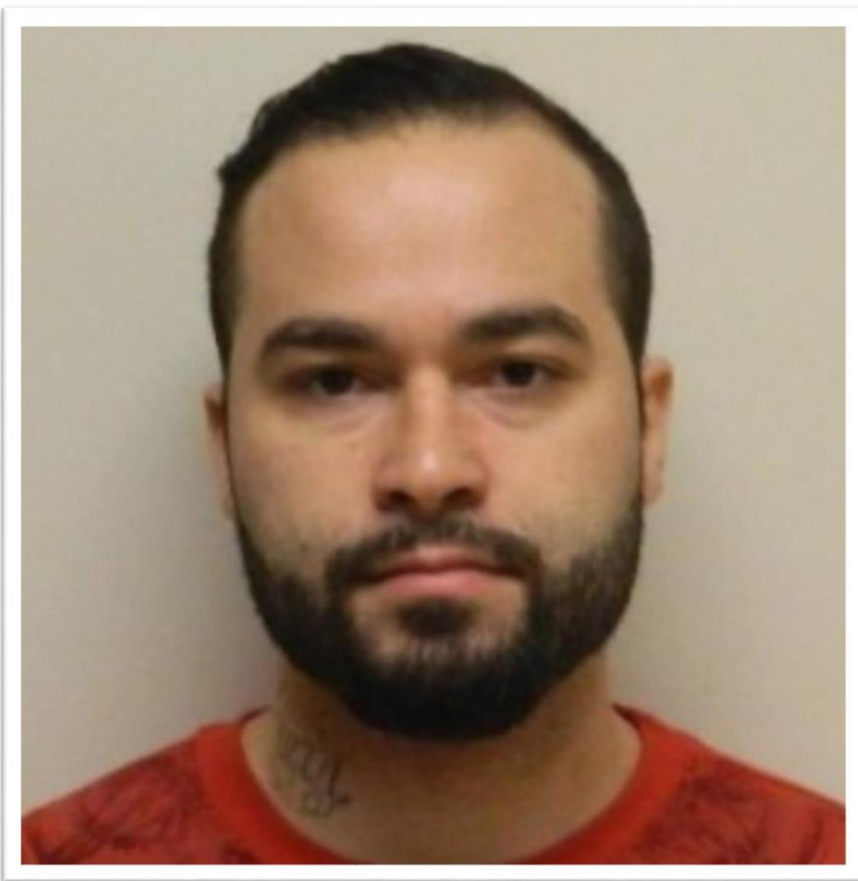
# Age of Victims



(Minnesota Department of Corrections, 2012)



# Norberto Lazaro Neira



# Norberto Lazaro Neira

Date of Birth: 01/03/1989 (30)

Height: 5' 08"

Weight: 192 lbs

Eyes: Brown

Hair: Black



Residence area: Vicinity of 18th Ave N & Niagara Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55447

# Norberto Lazaro Neira

## **Registrable Offense History:**

Norberto Neira engaged in sexual contact with a known female child. Contact included sexual touching and penetration. Neira used force to gain compliance.

# Norberto Lazaro Neira

## **2005: Criminal Sexual Conduct 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, Ramsey Co.**

- Criminal sexual contact with 12 year-old female (Neira 16)
- Known to victim
- Met at a youth center, Used interest and affection to compel victim outside
- EJJ Revoked 144 month commit, 5 Years conditional release

# Norberto Lazaro Neira

July 2007 - entered prison

05/20/2013 released to supervision – RL 3

August, 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 – Sentence Expired

# Norberto Lazaro Neira

## **2017: GM-Indecent Exposure/Lewdness, Hennepin Co.**

- Observed by security masturbating near employees of a K-Mart
- Once aware of security officers presence he fled the scene
- Security provided vehicle information to LE who identified and located
- 2 years probation, Serve 30 days confinement, Attain an updated Psycho-Sexual evaluation and follow recommendations, Fines and fees.

# Contact Law Enforcement

Dial **911** to report suspicious behavior

General:

**Plymouth Police Department**

**Office: (763) 509-5160 24-hr Non-emergency: (952) 258-5321**





# What do I say to the children?

## Community Notification



Thank you for being here.

**It's a kid's job to be a kid...**



**...and a  
grown-up's job to keep kids  
safe!**



# Focus on Behavior

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- Youth have image in their head of a “stranger”
- Mixed Messages
- We want children and teens to know how to ask for help. They should be taught HOW to talk to strangers.
- Children and Teens are much more likely to be victimized by someone they know

# Two Questions

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- Does this person try to get me to break my safety rules?
- Does this person give me an uh-oh feeling?



# Lures

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**REALITY:** Children and teens are most often lured by attention and affection.

**Victims in sex crimes committed by people they met through the Internet were primarily 13-15 year old girls (75%). Half of the Victims were described as being in love or having close bonds with the offender.**

**Source:** Crimes Against Children Research Center, University of New Hampshire. Information obtained from a National Law Enforcement Survey conducted between Oct 01 and July 02.

*How can I say no to someone I like?*

# Who forms your net?

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# Family Safety Night

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**An Evening to Connect and Have Fun!**

- **The whole family participates.**
- **No Distractions (Maybe order in?)**
- **Ongoing - twice a year**
- **Go over all things safety: fire escape plan, safety belts, bike helmets, calling 911, bus safety, internet and personal safety**





# What do I say to the children?

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*This is UNCOMFORTABLE...*

- Teachable moments for kids and parents – WHAT IF
- Identify at least FIVE Trusted Adults
- Upbeat. Positive.
- Not “THE TALK” but lots of little talks. You don’t have to cover everything all at once.



# The Importance of Caring Adults

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**Parental Involvement/Caring Adults =  
Our best prevention piece**

- **Family Safety Night**
- **Connecting Conversations**
- **“What If” Scenarios**
- **Online Safety**
- **EMPOWER YOUR KIDS!**





24-HOUR CRISIS LINE:  
**1-800-325-HOPE**

**[www.jwrc.org](http://www.jwrc.org)**

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**abuse PROJECT**

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[ZeroAbuseProject.org](https://ZeroAbuseProject.org)

# Local Victim Services Provider



## Home Free Community Program

**3409 E Medicine Lake Blvd, Plymouth, MN 55441**

[missionsinc.org](http://missionsinc.org)

Phone: (763) 545-7080

24 Hour Crisis: (763) 559-4945

# Awareness and Education

- The Three 90's
  - 90% do not reoffend
  - 90% known to victim
  - 90% not previously convicted
- And the Two R's
  - It's about *relationship* not *residence*
    - Social proximity is more important than geographic proximity

# Resources

## **Stop it Now! MN**

(888) PREVENT

[www.stopitnow.org/mn](http://www.stopitnow.org/mn)

## **Jacob Wetterling Resource Center**

(800) 325-HOPE

[www.jwrc.org](http://www.jwrc.org)

## **National Center for Missing and Exploited Children**

(800) 843-5678

[www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com)

## **MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault**

(651) 209-9993

[www.mncasa.org](http://www.mncasa.org)

## **MDH Sexual Violence Prevention**

[www.health.state.mn.us/svp](http://www.health.state.mn.us/svp)

## **Office of Justice Programs**

### **Crime Victim Services**

(888) 622-8799

[www.ojp.state.mn.us](http://www.ojp.state.mn.us)

# Resources

- Bureau of Criminal Apprehension
  - <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/bca/Pages/default.aspx>
- Minnesota Department of Corrections
  - <https://mn.gov/doc/>
    - Research and publications
    - Offender locator
    - Public registrant search



# Questions

- Please be respectful
- One speaker at a time as recognized by facilitator
- One question until everyone has an opportunity
- Please limit questions to this issue



# Thank you!

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