Level 3 Sex Offender Notification
Ricardo Antonio Capello

New Address: 11842 S. Hunter Avenue – Yuma AZ 85367

The Yuma County Sheriff’s Office (YCSO) is releasing the following information pursuant to A.R.S. 13-3825, the Community Notification on Sex Offenders Law. The offender in this publication is living within Yuma County. It is the responsibility of the Chief Law Enforcement Office having jurisdiction where the offender resides to make notification to the community. Notification must be made when certain sex offenders are released from the Arizona State Prison, accepted under an interstate compact or released from the county jail back into the community. Offenders are categorized into three levels: Level One (low risk to the community), Level Two (intermediate risk to the community), and Level Three (high risk to the community).

The individual who appears on this notification, Ricardo Antonio Capello, 62, has been convicted of a sex offense which allows for community notification. Ricardo Antonio Capello has advised the YCSO that he is residing at 11842 S. Hunter Avenue, in Yuma, Arizona. He is described as 6 feet tall, 200 pounds, with gray hair and hazel eyes. He is not wanted by the Yuma County Sheriff’s Office at this time.

In 1984, Capello was convicted of Sex Abuse 1 Sodomy in the Hawaii Circuit Court. Capello sexually assaulted an adult female known to him.

In 1991, Capello was convicted of Kidnapping 1st Degree with Sexual Motivation in the King County Superior Court in Seattle, WA. Capello sexually assaulted an unknown adult female at knifepoint.

In 2001, Capello was admitted to the Special Commitment Center (SCC) in Seattle, Washington, where he was determined to be a sexually violent predator and civilly committed. In 2016, Capello became eligible for Less Restrictive Alternative (LRA) placement in the community. In 2018, he was unconditionally released.

Due to his sexual criminal history, Capello has been classified a Level 3 sex offender with a high risk to reoffend.
This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather, it is our belief that an informed community is a safer community. The YCSO has no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he/she chooses. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate, or harass sex offenders will not be tolerated. Sex Offenders have always lived in our communities; but because of Megan’s law, law enforcement is now able to share this information with you.

The YCSO would like to remind the public of the registered sex offender and community notification program OffenderWatch. To register for free email alerts or search for sex offenders in your area, please visit the YCSO OffenderWatch page.

If you have information regarding current criminal activity on this or any other offender, please call the Yuma County Sheriff’s Office at (928) 783-4427.

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