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Sheriff Strain Reminds Parents of Sex Offender Mapping prior to Halloween

SLIDELL, LA - Sheriff Jack Strain today urged parents to identify registered sex offenders in neighborhoods before bringing children trick-or-treating.

Parents may visit www.stpsso.com for a map of all sex offenders in St. Tammany Parish. The maps are generated within a certain radius of an address entered by the user. Detailed information is provided, including a picture of the offender and a description of their original offense. When visiting the site, scroll down and click on the red button labeled "Sex Offenders."

St. Tammany Parish has 217 active registrants. Those required to register with the Sheriff's Office fall into three different tiers. Tier 1 offenders are required to register once per year for 15 years. Tier 2 offenders are required to register twice per year for 25 years. Tier 3 offenders are required to register every 90 days for life.

All registration is done in the Justice Center in downtown Covington.

Every 90 days, patrol deputies verify residency information through in-person visits to the offender's residence. If an offender becomes non-compliant with the registry requirements, an arrest warrant is obtained and the Sheriff's Office works with the U.S. Marshal's Service and other agencies to find and arrest the individual. Penalties for non-compliance are (1st offense) \$1000 fine and 2 – 10 years hard labor. Second and subsequent offenses receive a \$3000 fine and 5-20 years hard labor.

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