



Community Notification and Education Meeting

Carver County Sheriff

February 22, 2018

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 January 1, 2018, there were approximately **17,644** people required to register in Minnesota

- As of February 20, 2018:
 - **75** registrants in **Carver County** 98,741
 - 2554 registrants in Hennepin County 1.223 mil
 - 174 registrants in Scott County 141,660

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

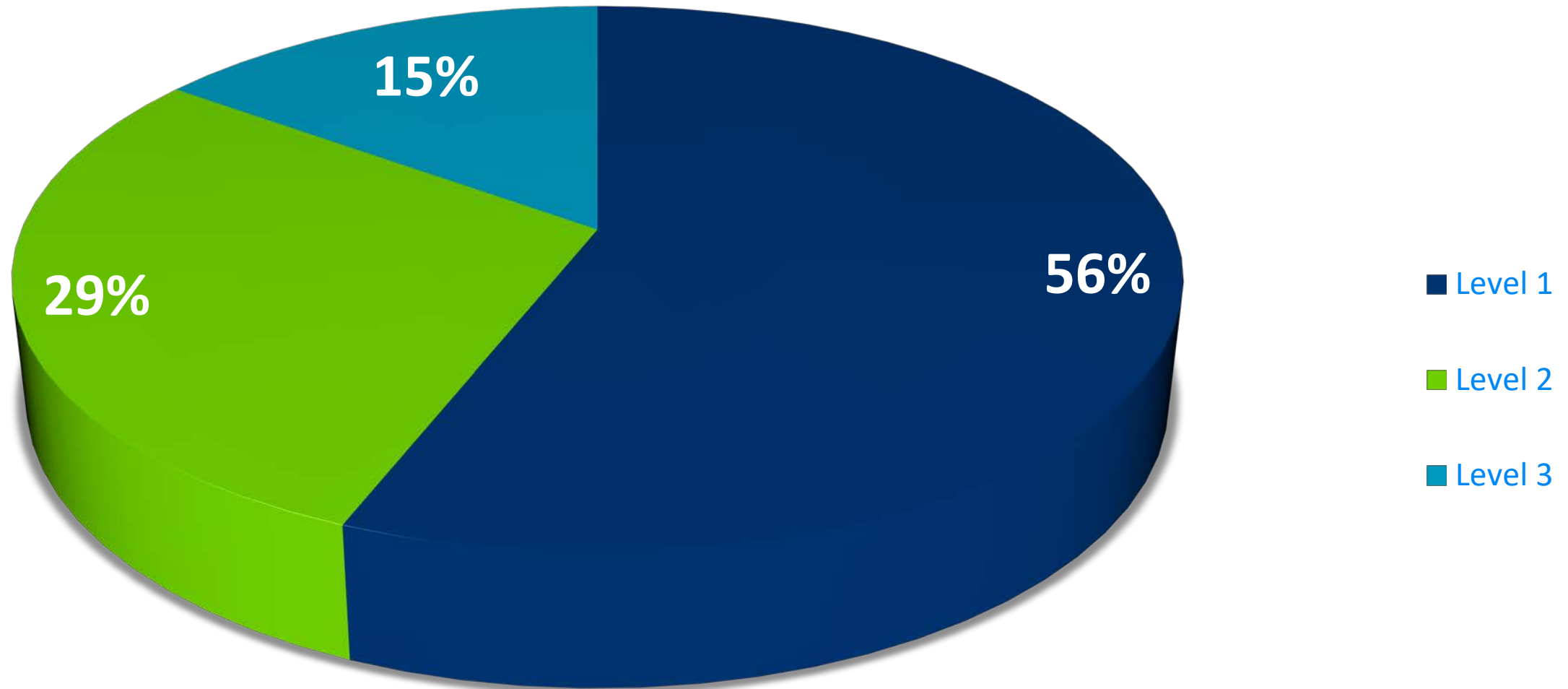
- In addition to Level 1 notifications, law enforcement may notify individuals or organizations based on the registrant's particular offense pattern or history

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

Current Risk Levels

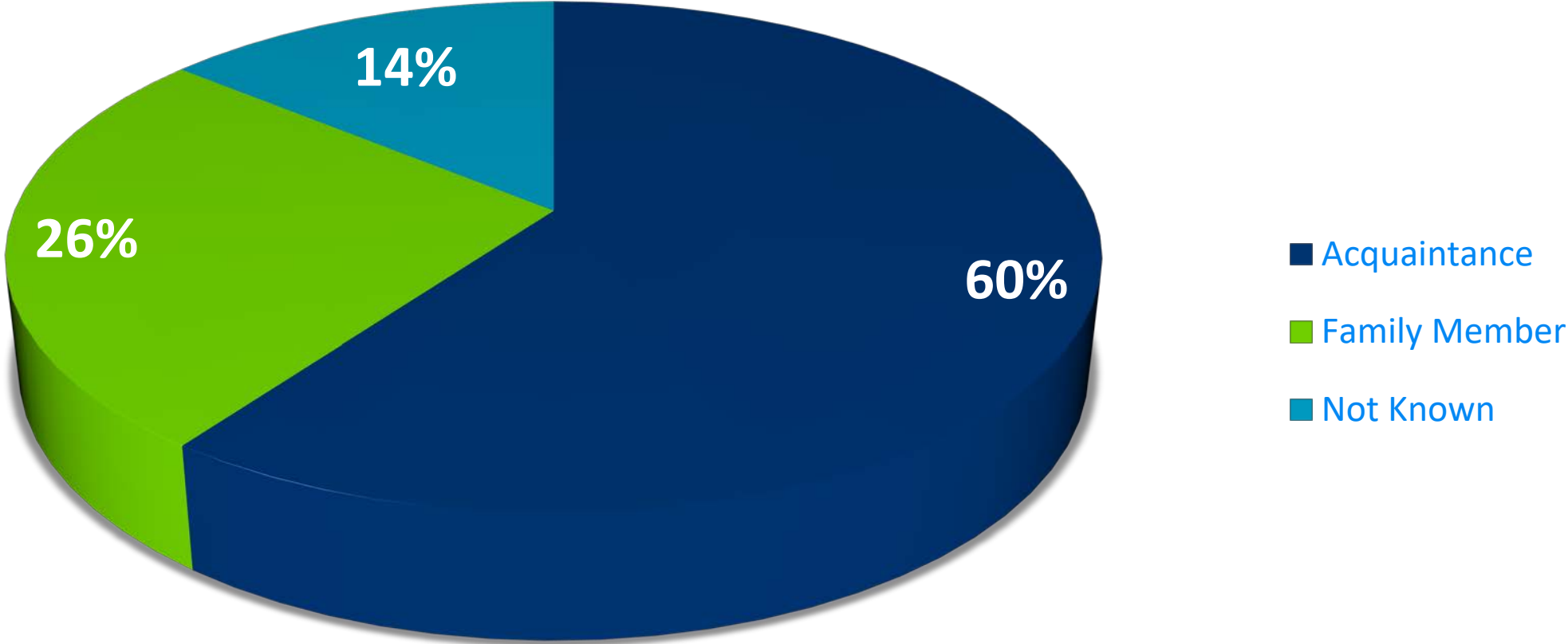
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Those subject to broad public disclosure

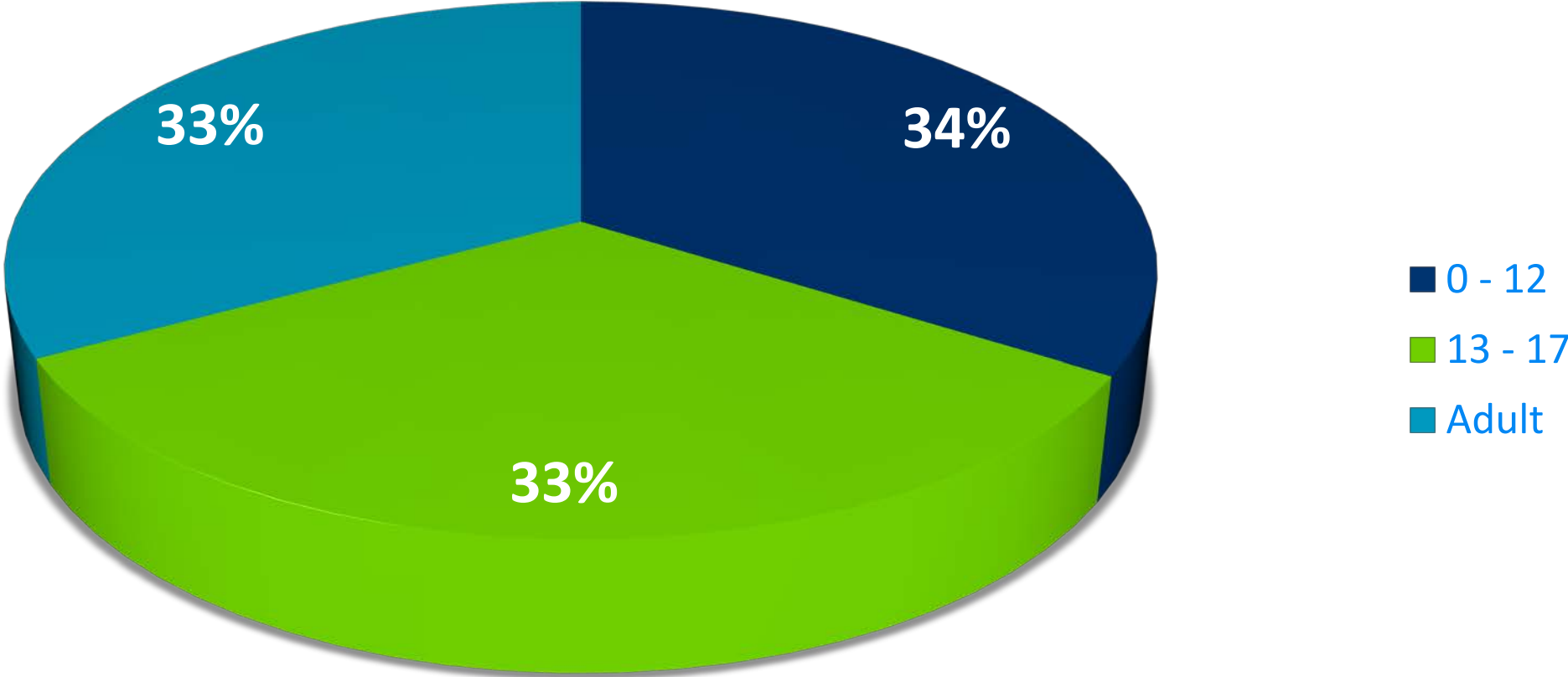
- As of February 20, 2018, there were **384** registrants subject to broad public disclosure residing in Minnesota communities

Victim/Offender Relationship



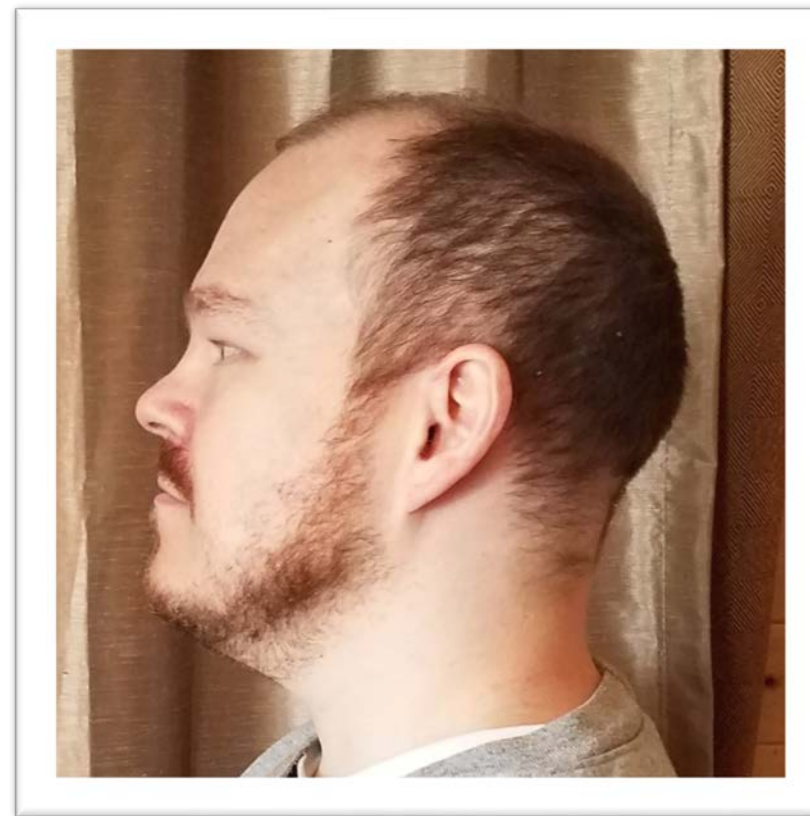
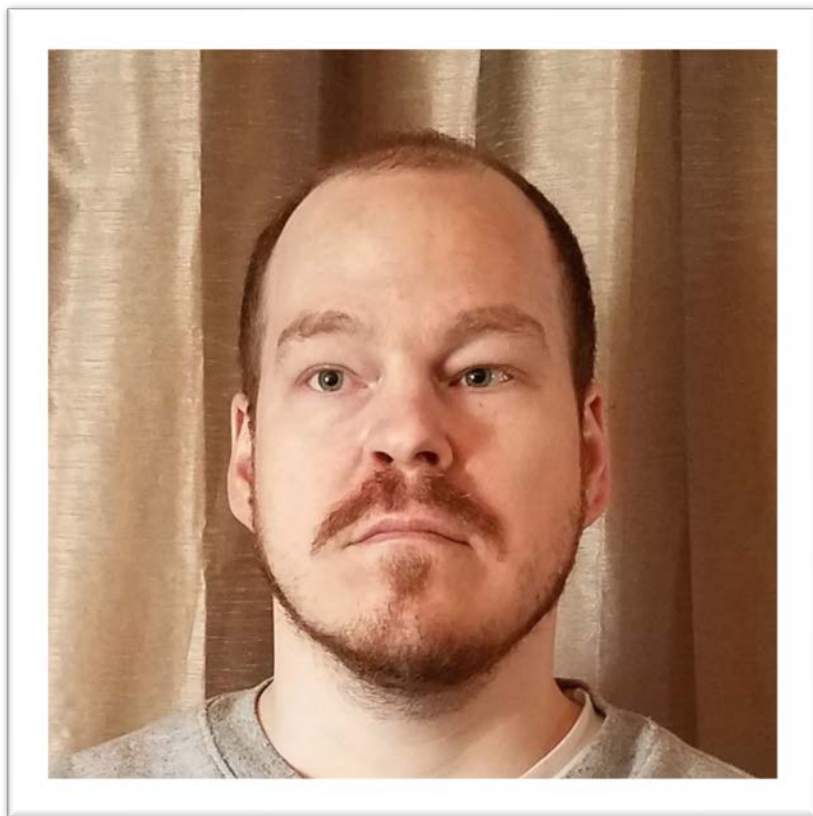
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Age of Victims



(Minnesota Department of Corrections, 2012)

Jeremy Zimmermann



Jeremy Zimmermann

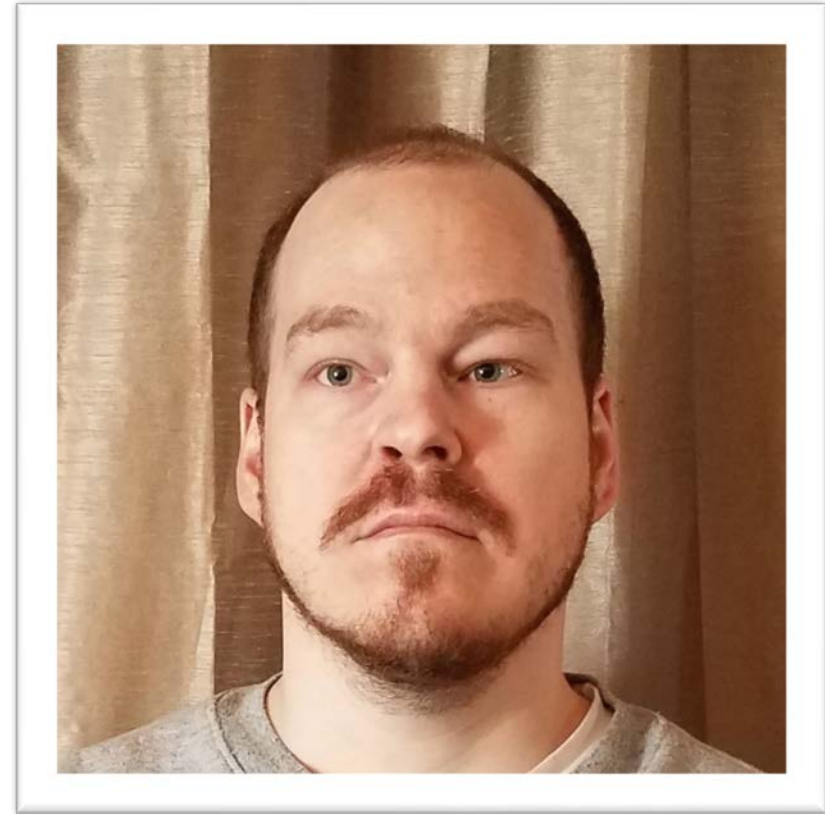
Date of Birth: 08/03/1978 (39)

Height: 5' 10"

Weight: 229

Eyes: Blue

Hair: Brown



Residence: Vicinity of Reform Street and Elm Street West,
Norwood Young America

Jeremy Zimmermann

History:

Adult convictions for False Imprisonment/Criminal Sexual Conduct involving adult female victims

Chemical abuse

Jeremy Zimmermann

2007, GM Indecent Exposure, Scott County

- Sexual conduct with adult female victim included exposing himself in a public place
- Gained access as victim was employee where offender patronized business
- Not known to victim although she had seen him before
- Disposition
 - 365 days jail, stayed, 2 years probation

Jeremy Zimmermann

2009, Criminal Sexual Conduct 4th Degree, Criminal Sexual Conduct 5th Degree, and False Imprisonment, Carver County

- Sexual contact with 21 year old female victim included sexual touching
- Gained access by asking victim for a ride
- Held victim against her will in her vehicle
- Known to victim
- Disposition

2 years, 6 months prison

Jeremy Zimmermann

Additional criminal history 1997-2015

Assault 5th Degree

Burglary

DWI

Failure to Register

Possession of Controlled Substance

Stolen Property

Theft

Jeremy Zimmermann

05/19/2009 entered prison

08/16/2010 release as level 2

Has returned to prison for supervision violations and Failure to Register convictions

04/18/2011 release as level 3

02/21/2018 release to Carver County

Supervision and registration requirements

- Mr. Zimmermann is under correctional supervision until 02/15/2028
- He is required to register until 02/13/2043

Intensive Supervised Release

MN Statutes 244.12-244.15 (1990)

Primary Objective is Public Safety

Highly structured intensive form of supervision

Reduced caseload per agent allows more time with client

ISR provides a structured environment

Intensive Supervised Release

- ✓ Individuals are held strictly accountable
- ✓ Compliance with release conditions
- ✓ Successful reintegration to the community
- ✓ ISR operates night and day, weekends and holidays, 24/7, 365 days a year

Intensive Supervised Release

- **Elements**

House arrest

Electronic monitoring

Random drug/alcohol testing

Unannounced residential/work contacts

Strict schedules

Daily check-in

Treatment-Chemical Dependency and Sex Offender

Intensive Supervised Release

Conditions of Release

- ✓ No sexually explicit materials
- ✓ No contact with victim(s)
- ✓ No alcohol/illicit substances
- ✓ Obtain/maintain full time approved schedule
- ✓ No or monitored/restricted use of Internet

Intensive Supervised Release

888-735-6267

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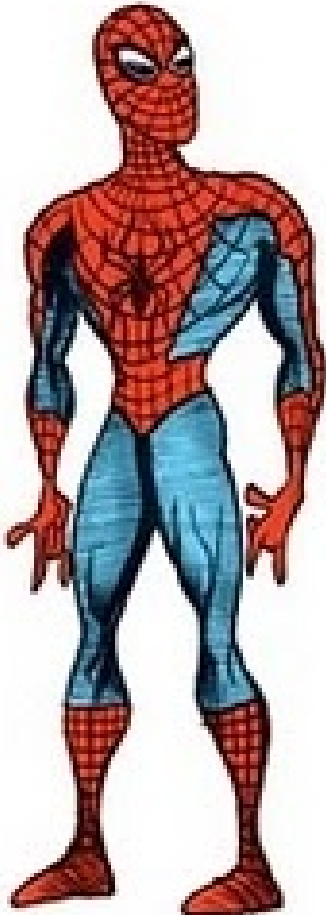
Gary Wilfahrt

Community Involvement



We Are All Crime Fighters

Crime Fighters



Community Transition

Minnesota law permits those released from prison to live in the community

Including:

Work, training, treatment

Shopping, laundry, church, medical care

Live free from harassment

Public can assist in monitoring behavior and activities, where appropriate

Stability contributes to control of offense cycle

Suspicious Behavior

Dial **911** to report suspicious behavior

Carver County Sheriff

952-361-1212



What Do I Say to the Children?



Community Notification

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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

- 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

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



Lures

REALITY: Children and teen 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?



Family Safety Night

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?

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

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

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



Jacob Wetterling Resource Center

A program of Gundersen National Child Protection Training Center

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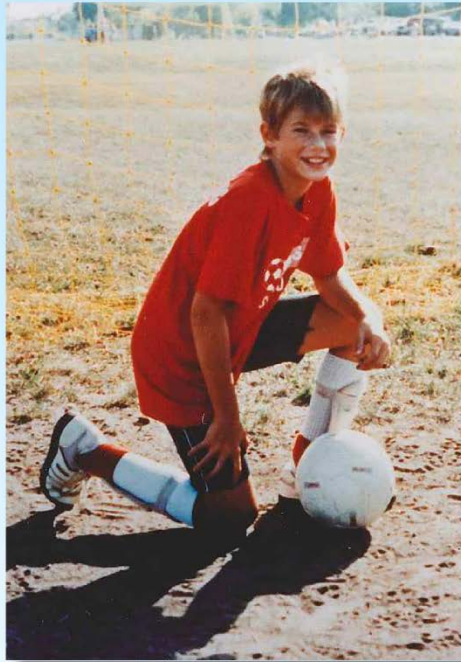
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1-800-325-HOPE



• #11forJacob



• Jacob Wetterling believed in a fair and just world, a world where all children know they are special and deserve to be safe.

• To remember and honor Jacob's hope for our world, be part of #11forJacob. This movement centers around 11 simple traits:

1. Be Fair
2. Be Kind
3. Be Understanding
4. Be Honest
5. Be Thankful
6. Be a Good Sport
7. Be a Good Friend
8. Be Joyful
9. Be Generous
10. Be Gentle with others
11. Be Positive

• Thank you for honoring Jacob.

• gundersenhealth.org/ncptc/jacob-wetterling-resource-center



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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

Jacob Wetterling Resource Center

(800) 325-HOPE

www.jwrc.org

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

(800) 843-5678

www.missingkids.com

MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault

(651) 209-9993

www.mncasa.org

MDH Sexual Violence Prevention

www.health.state.mn.us/svprevent

Office of Justice Programs

Crime Victim Services

(888) 622-8799

www.ojp.state.mn.us

Local Victim Services Provider



Sexual Violence Center, Carver County

24 hour: 952-448-5425

Office: 612-871-5100

www.sexualviolencecenter.org

Resources

- Bureau of Criminal Apprehension
 - www.bca.state.mn.us/bca.asp
- Minnesota Department of Corrections
 - <https://mn.gov/doc/>
 - Research and publications
 - Offender locator
 - Public registrant search

Questions

- Please be respectful
- Please limit questions to this issue



Thank you!

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