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## Level 2 Sex Offender Notification Diego Betancourt

**New Address: 10653 E. Shale Drive – Yuma, AZ 85365**

*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, **Diego Betancourt**, 36, has been convicted of a sex offense which allows for community notification. Diego Betancourt has advised the YCSO that he is residing at **10653 E. Shale Drive** in Yuma, Arizona. He is described as 5 feet, 9 inches tall, 210 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes. He is not wanted by the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at this time.

On September 25, 2012, Diego Betancourt plead guilty to one felony count Attempted Molestation of a Child, and one felony count of Attempted Sexual Conduct with a Minor. Betancourt was sentenced to 9.5 years in the Arizona Department of Corrections with 673 days served prior to sentencing. His victim was an 11 year old female acquaintance.



**Diego Betancourt**

Height: 5'9"  
Weight: 210 lbs  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown

Betancourt is considered a Level 2 sex offender with a medium risk to re-offend.

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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