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PRESS RELEASE

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Level 3 Sex Offender Notification John Thompson

New Address: East Levee Road N. & S. Avenue 3 E – Yuma, AZ (Homeless)

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).

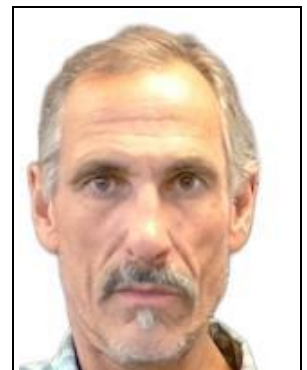
The individual who appears on this notification, **John Thompson**, 56, has been convicted of a sex offense that allows for community notification. John Thompson has advised the YCSO that he is residing at East Levee Road N. and S. Avenue 3 E in Yuma, AZ. He is described as 6 feet, 6 inches tall, 220 pounds, with brown/gray hair and brown eyes. He is not wanted by the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at this time.

On May 5, 1998, Thompson pled guilty to one count of Third-Degree Rape in the Pennington County Judicial Court in Rapid City, South Dakota. He was sentenced to 8 years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary, with 87 days credit for time served. The victim was a female juvenile known to him.

On February 21, 2008, Thompson pled guilty to two counts of Indecent Exposure involving a Child in the Minnehaha County Judicial Circuit Court in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He was sentenced to serve 1 year in the Minnehaha County Jail for count one; and 2 years in the Sioux Falls State Penitentiary for count two. His victim was a female juvenile known to him.

On July 21, 2023, Thompson pled guilty to one count of Attempted Failure to Register in the Yuma County Superior Court. He was sentenced to 36 months of supervised probation.

On November 17, 2023, Thompson pled guilty to one count of Failure to Carry Identification Card/Sex Offender in the Yuma County Superior Court. He was originally sentenced to 36 months of supervised



John Thompson

Height: 6'6"
Weight: 220 lbs
Hair: Brn/Gry
Eyes: Brown

probation, which was revoked and he was sentenced to 1 year in the Arizona Department of Corrections, with 66 days credit for time served.

John Thompson is considered 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 abuses 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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