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# **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **Level 1 Sex Offender Notification**

### **Terry Lee Gibbs**

**New Address: 13139 E. 49<sup>th</sup> Street – 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 notifications 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, **Terry Lee Gibbs, 67**, has been convicted of a sex offense that allows for community notification. Terry Gibbs has advised the YCSO that he is residing at 13139 E. 49<sup>th</sup> Street. in Yuma, Arizona. He is described as 6 feet 0 inches tall, 282 pounds, with gray hair and hazel eyes. He is not wanted by the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at this time.

On June 28, 2001, Gibbs pleaded guilty to one count of Attempt to Commit Criminal Sexual Penetration (1<sup>st</sup> Degree) and one count of Criminal Sexual Contact with a Minor (3<sup>rd</sup> Degree) in the Dona Ana County Third Judicial District Court in Las Cruces, New Mexico. He was sentenced to serve 12 years in the New Mexico Department of Corrections, followed by 2 years of parole. Gibbs sentence was suspended and he was ordered to serve 18 months and 23 days in the New Mexico Central Corrections Facility, followed by 5 years of supervised probation. His victim was a female juvenile known to him.

Terry Gibbs is considered a Level 1 sex offender with a low 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



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Weight: 282 lbs  
Hair: Gray  
Eyes: Hazel

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 Offender Watch. 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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