



## Ukiah Police Department

Safety, Professionalism, Community Service

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### **PRESS RELEASE**

Subject: Prostitution Activity in Ukiah

The Ukiah Police Department Detectives have spent a considerable amount of time since the end of July investigating reports of prostitution in the Ukiah area. Information obtained through extensive investigation revealed that women from their late teens to early 20's have been offering prostitution services via the internet in Ukiah. Investigative information obtained indicated that some of the girls were local and some were from out of the area. The girls have reportedly been meeting clients at local motels.

In the first week of September, as a result of this ongoing investigation, Ukiah Police Detectives made contact with an 18 year old female Ukiah High School Student at a local motel where she had agreed to meet a paying client for sex. Detectives established evidence that she was engaged in prostitution and learned that the girl had been engaged in this activity for the last 6 months.

Because of the nature of this ongoing investigation and the likelihood of a number of other known girls involved in this activity in Ukiah, we are not releasing the name of the suspect at this time in order to keep the investigation uncompromised as further arrests are anticipated.

Prostitution is often associated with many other crimes including drug use and sales, violence related crimes, robbery and human trafficking. Anyone with information regarding prostitution activity is urged to contact the Ukiah Police Department at (707)463-6262.

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