



Joint Cyber Crimes Investigation:  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Abilene Police Department  
Texas Highway Patrol  
Tye Police Department  
Merkel Police Department  
Dyess OSI  
U.S. Marshals Service

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### **Cyber Crimes Investigation Nets Multiple Arrests of Suspects Targeting Children Online**

Officers arrested 13 suspects for targeting children online during a multi-agency sting operation. The agencies are listed above.

On June 25 & 26, 2019, Texas Department of Public Safety Criminal Investigations Division in collaboration with the Abilene Police Department's Cyber Crimes Unit, conducted an undercover operation targeting individuals attempting to take advantage of minors for sexual exploitation purposes. Special Agents and detectives sought out individuals who use public webpages, internet sites and social media applications to specifically target underage children. This was conducted in effort to keep the children of Abilene and the surrounding areas safe from online predators. As a result of this operation, 13 individuals from various areas of the Big Country were taken into custody.



Anthony Moreno, 28 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Joseph Castleman, 35 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



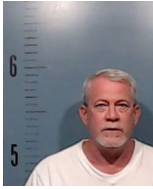
Raymond Cornman, 30 – Prostitution, Solicit Person Under 18 Years of Age



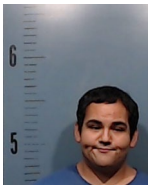
Joshua Walker, 30 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Michael Walton, 19 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Mark Slattery, 55 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Elias Leyva, 27 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



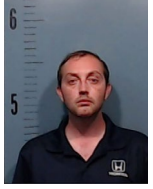
Joseph Gulick, 46 – Online Solicitation of a Minor, Sexual Performance by child



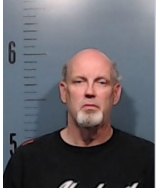
Rafael Nanez, 19 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Bryan Collins, 39 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Adrian Vandervlist, 28 – Online Solicitation of a Minor, Poss. Of Controlled Substance, Sexual Performance by a Child



Jeffrey Akard, 57 – Online Solicitation of a Minor



Carlito Santos, 46 – Online Solicitation of a Minor