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### ARREST RELEASE

On Saturday, December 12, 2015 in the evening hours, the Rockford Police Department M3 Street Crimes Units conducted an undercover prostitution detail targeting internet-based prostitution operations. During the detail, the Officers established fictitious internet-based advertisements for prostitution, which generated a significant number of contacts with men seeking to engage in prostitution.

During the operations, the following 4 arrests were made:

**Kenneth Harold Heritsch**, 48, Streamwood, IL, Solicitation of a Sexual Act

**Jason Lamont Herman**, 40, Rockford, Promoting Prostitution, Solicitation of a Sexual Act, Possession of Marijuana

**Zoran NMI Marunic**, 40, Rockford, Solicitation of a Sexual Act

**Daniel Allen Simpson**, 47, Rockford, Solicitation of a Sexual Act

During the investigation, officers observed 4 individuals drive to the location and due to that reason, the vehicles each subject was operating were **impounded** due to it being an act in furtherance to the offense of the City Ordinance 17-27.1(5) Solicitation of Prostitute/Sexual Act. Impound fees were increased to a minimum \$1000 for arrests related to these charges.

The charges against these individuals are allegations based upon probable cause and these individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



The Rockford Police Department recognizes the importance of focusing on street-level and behind the scenes prostitution activities and will continue to focus resources to combat this problem. Individuals considering engagement in these activities should heed notice that the City of Rockford does not tolerate this behavior. Anyone with information regarding prostitution or human trafficking activities should contact the Rockford Police Department at 779-500-6555 or Crime Stoppers at 815-963-7867.

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