



**Marion County  
Prosecutor's Office**



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### History

- 2010: Burglary Enforcement Strategy Team created (B.E.S.T)
- 2011: B.E.S.T. is assigned IMPD Lieutenant full-time and adds focus on scrap metal investigations
- 2012: B.E.S.T. becomes M.O.S.T.
- 2013: M.O.S.T. includes the donut counties



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### Multi-Jurisdictional Approach

- Meetings with donut counties
- Letters of support for grant writing
- Memorandum of Understanding

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## Investigation

- IMPD Lieutenant serves as law enforcement liaison for surrounding agency law enforcement officers
- Deputy prosecutors vertically prosecute the case from the beginning of the investigation



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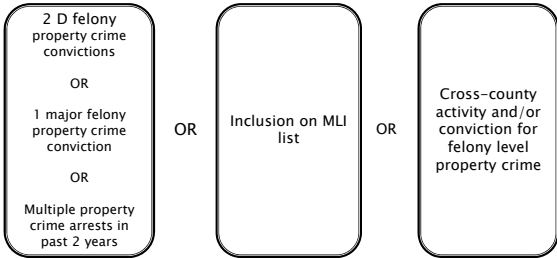
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## Targets



\*\*juvenile and adult criminal history may be considered

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## Information Sharing

- Distribute information on a daily basis regarding M.O.S.T. targets, BOLOS, or other investigative related materials
- Attend monthly area investigator meetings in the surrounding counties

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## Investigative Tools

- Leads Online
- Pole Cameras
- GPS search warrants
- Search Warrants



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## Enhanced Prosecution

- Vertical prosecution
- Cross designation
- Information sharing
- Screen and file charges

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## Enhanced Prosecution: A Success Story

State v. Jeffrey McCloud & Brittany Lane

- Multiple property crime charges
- Difficult fact pattern
- Clear they were involved in multiple burglaries



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### Enhanced Prosecution: A Success Story

State v. Jeffrey McCloud & Brittany Lane

- Habitual offender enhancement filed on McCloud
- Lane eventually offered plea for testimony

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### Enhanced Prosecution: A Success Story

State v. Jeffrey McCloud & Brittany Lane

- 3 day jury trial led to 9 out of 13 convictions on McCloud
- At sentencing, able to argue that Burglaries should be sentenced consecutively
- Judge sentenced McCloud as follows
  - Burglary/FB: 15 years
  - Burglary/FB: 15 years
  - Resisting Law Enforcement/FD: 2 years
  - Habitual Offender/SE: 15 years
  - ALL consecutive
  - TOTAL OF 47 years
- Jeffrey McCloud's current release date from DOC is 2036

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### Alternative Strategies

- Clean up statements
- Failure to file taxes (scrap metal cases)

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## Clean up Statements

- When to use?
  - Defendant is suspect in crime(s) but don't have enough to prosecute
- Benefits
  - Allow law enforcement to clear cases
  - Bargaining tool for plea agreements

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## Clean up Statements

State v. Kenneth Ward

- Suspect in approximately 30-40 small business burglaries in Marion County and surrounding counties
- IMPD eventually able to make arrest for Burglary/FC x2



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## Clean up Statements

State v. Kenneth Ward

- Able to file 12 additional burglaries
- Suspect in 15-25 remaining burglaries
- No guarantee that cases would run consecutive

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## Clean up Statements

### State v. Kenneth Ward

- Offered Kenneth Ward plea agreement for 25 years executed in return for giving clean up statement
  - Language in plea agreement
    - **“STATE AGREES NOT TO PROSECUTE ANY NON-VIOLENT PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED BY KENNETH WARD BETWEEN NOVEMBER 2012–FEBRUARY 2013 THAT WERE REVEALED IN A STATEMENT GIVEN ON APRIL 17, 2013.”**

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## Clean up Statements

### State v. Kenneth Ward

- Clean-Up Statement at Marion County Jail
- **2 hours = 36 burglaries solved**

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## Clean up Statements

### State v. Kenneth Ward

- Sentencing hearing
  - 15 years DOC, 10 years open to placement
  - Defense: clean-up statement is mitigator
  - State: clean-up statement is NOT mitigator
- Kenneth Ward's release date from DOC is currently 2025

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## Clean up Statements

State v. MITCHELL MATLOCK

- Charged with 4 residential burglaries
- Suspect in multiple Eastside Indy burglaries
- Offered cap of 25 years DOC with clean-up
- **1 hour = 106 burglaries solved**




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## Clean up Statements

State v. MITCHELL MATLOCK

- Sentencing Hearing
  - Input from victim and Brookside Community
  - Detective testimony
  - 24 years DOC and 1 year probation
  - Mitchell Matlock's release date from DOC is December 16, 2025

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## Failure to file taxes

- What is it?
  - I.C. 6-3-6-11(a)
    - "It is a Class D felony for a taxpayer to fail to make any return required to be made under this article, or to make any false return or false statement in any return, with intent to defraud the state or to evade the payment of the tax, or any part thereof, imposed by this article"

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### Failure to file taxes

- When to use?
  - Scrap metal cases
  - Any case where items are being sold for profit
- Benefit?
  - Al Capone approach



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### Failure to file taxes

State v. J. Parker, Joyce, Skinner, Harris, Harris & C. Parker

- Investigation into a scrap metal ring
- Ran information in *Leads Online* to see if they had been scrapping any metal
- Search Warrant at Jimichael Parker's house



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### Failure to file taxes

State v. J. Parker, Joyce, Skinner, Harris, Harris & C. Parker

- Investigators discovered that all 6 of the suspects had either not filed state income taxes or had filed false state income taxes for 2011
- Charged with Failure to file taxes (or filing false taxes) as a Class D felony



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### Failure to file taxes

State v. J. Parker, Joyce, Skinner, Harris, Harris & C. Parker

- 4 cases are still pending
- Issues that we have run into...
  - C. Parker has subsequently filed his taxes
  - Harris & Harris claim their deductions are over the amount they made, and therefore, they did not have to file
  - Skinner is claiming he was working for J. Parker and any money he was paid by the scrap yard was not his income and he paid it to J. Parker

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### Prevention

- Community presentations on Property Crime Prevention
- Attendance at local events to distribute flyers and materials to the community
- Encouragement to citizens to mark and/or engrave their personal property
- Media coverage for prevention tips

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### Community Presentations

- Use Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles to encourage citizens to make their homes and business less of a target
- Partnership with local security companies, locksmiths, and Door Devil to provide target hardening tools to citizens



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Crime Prevention Through  
Environmental Design (CPTED)  
Natural Surveillance  
  
Territorial Reinforcement  
  
Natural Access Control  
  
Maintenance & Management

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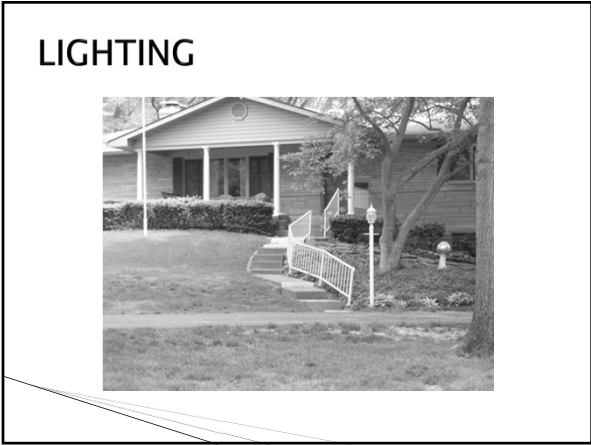
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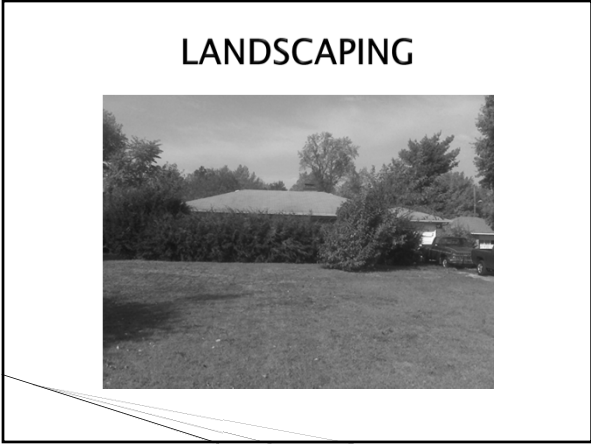
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**TERRITORIAL REINFORCEMENT**



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**NATURAL ACCESS CONTROL**



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**MAINTENANCE & MANAGEMENT**



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### PREVENTION TIPS

- Do Not Let Strangers Into Your Home
- Be a good neighbor. If you notice anything suspicious in your neighborhood, call 911 immediately.
- Make sure your garage door opener is secure
- DO NOT put when you are not home on Social Networking Web-pages (Twitter, Facebook, Myspace, etc.)
- Be selective in what information you put in family member's obituaries.



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### Recording Personal Property

- Encourage citizens to record serial numbers of items
- Distribute marking kits at presentations
- Loan the engraver to citizens

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### Marking and Engraving

- Citizen's code and contact information goes into IMPD database
- IMPD officers have access to code information while on patrol
- If officer suspects stolen property, he/she can search for identification code by consent or obtain a search warrant

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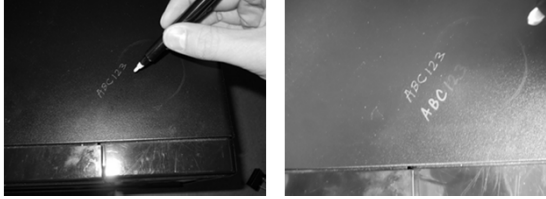
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### Marking



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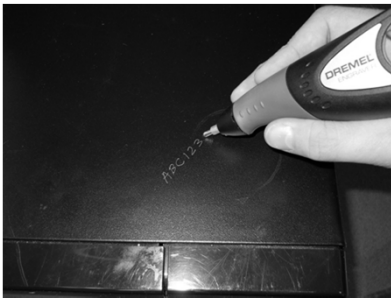
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### Engraving



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### Target Hardening



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## Media

- Facebook and Twitter: “M.O.S.T. helpful tip of the week”
- Interviews during peak time on burglary prevention.
- Newsletter to highlight successes and give prevention tips

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**2012 Multi-jurisdictional Offender Strategy Team (MOST)  
Memorandum of Understanding**

Whereas, a large amount of property crimes in Central Indiana remain unsolved and are perpetrated by repeat offenders.

Whereas, approximately 80 percent of property crime victims are left without a resolution in their case.

Whereas, multijurisdictional teams, consisting of law enforcement and prosecutors, are the best way to combat property crimes and prevent repeat offenses.

Whereas, the Multi-jurisdictional Strategy Offender Team (MOST) will work with law enforcement and prosecutors from Marion, Morgan, Johnson, Hamilton, and Hancock Counties to reduce property crimes and prevent repeat offenses.

Whereas, the Marion County's Prosecutor's Office was awarded a grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute to fund the activities outlined in this MOU for the term January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

***Background***

During the first ten months of 2011, 34,973 property crimes were reported with 4,074 arrests, resulting in a clearance rate of 12%. The number of arrests and the low clearance rate for these cases confirms the notion that a large amount of property crimes in Marion County remain unsolved, and approximately 80 percent of property crime victims are left without a resolution in their case. In a study reported by the Center for Problem-Oriented Policing, researchers indicated that arresting repeat offenders, along with other measures, resulted in a 60 percent decline in burglaries. A National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) spotlight on Forensic Science indicated that property crime offenders have high recidivism rates, their crime and violence can escalate, and property crime cases often go unsolved. It has been estimated that each burglar in the top 10 percent of burglars commits more than 232 burglaries per year. Data provided by the Executive Director of Research and Training at the Indiana Department of Correction indicated that 39.3% of offenders released in 2007 returned to DOC within 3 years, with that percentage increasing to 51.68% for inmates from Marion County. Focusing dedicated resources on known offenders who are statistically likely to continue to commit crimes is critical to reducing crime rates and building safe communities.

In the recent evaluation of ICJI's Justice Assistance Grants (Review of Best Practices for ICJI Program Areas and Funding Streams), model multi-jurisdictional task force and interdiction teams are recommended to include:

- Prosecutor involvement to assist with investigations, asset forfeitures, and other legal questions.
- Defining criteria for offenses and types of offenders sought for apprehension and prosecution.
- Frequent communication among task force participants.
- Promoting coordination between all agencies and levels of government.
- Experienced leadership.
- Establishing goals, objectives, and performance measures.

The Multi-jurisdictional Offender Strategy Team (MOST) was developed in response to the property crime problems reported in Central Indiana. MOST is a model multi-jurisdictional team of law enforcement and prosecutors, and was developed with proven best-practices, as noted above.

***Responsibilities of the Parties***

The Multi-jurisdictional Offender Strategy Team (MOST) is administered by the Marion County Prosecutor's Office and consists of two full-time deputy prosecutors, one part-time deputy prosecutor, and an IMPD investigator. MOST was developed as a result of the successful Burglary Enforcement Strategy Team (BEST), which was an ICJI-funded residential burglary program in Marion County. MOST was formed to address property crimes in Central Indiana by a multi-jurisdictional team of law enforcement and prosecutors.

MOST deputy prosecutors work with the assigned IMPD investigator, as well as other law enforcement officers in Marion County and the surrounding counties, to hold repeat property crime offenders accountable through investigation and aggressive prosecution. The investigations include: gathering detailed intelligence information about targets, reopening "cold cases" where targets were suspects in crimes; conducting surveillance activities; monitoring jail calls of targets; and interviewing targeted suspects. The deputy prosecutors provide guidance to detectives on what additional evidence needs to be gathered so that the cases can be successfully prosecuted, resulting in the incarceration of these repeat offenders, making the community safer and reducing the property crime rate. The deputy prosecutors also review criminal histories of the suspects to see if any recently dismissed or not filed cases can be refiled. If the suspect is incarcerated on any new or refiled offenses, the deputy prosecutors will file requests for high bonds to keep the suspects in jail. MOST will research information on family members and associates of these suspects, looking for possible co-defendants and also looking for phone numbers that can be used when monitoring jail phone calls.

On a monthly basis, MOST reviews the Multiple Latent Identification (MLI) List from IMPD's latent print unit and uses this list as a source of information in determining new target suspects based on fingerprints identified at crime scenes. MOST also created their own criteria for use in determining target suspects outside of the MLI list. On a monthly basis, MOST meets in a review committee capacity to determine if a suspect submitted by the law enforcement agency will be targeted. If a suspect meets the established criteria, MOST targets the suspect through aggressive investigation and prosecution. Detailed intelligence gathering about suspects on the MLI and Target lists, review of cold cases, and development of new cases will continue as core strategies for targeting repeat property crime offenders. Internal MOST staff meet on a weekly basis to review active target cases, discuss new possible strategies and develop a plan to implement the strategies in current investigations.

MOST deputy prosecutors vertically prosecute the property crime cases that arise from their target list and investigations. Vertical prosecution involves handling a case from the investigative stage through the trial and conviction phase. Through their attendance at various community meetings and events, they will also encourage residents and businesses to come to court on these cases to provide support to the victims and to let the judges know that property crimes are important to the community and should not be treated lightly. On any non-property crime cases pending on the targeted suspects, MOST deputy prosecutors monitor the cases, communicate with the assigned deputy prosecutors about the background of these suspects, and assist the assigned deputy prosecutors on any cases that go to trial. The release dates of the targets on the list who are currently incarcerated are monitored by the team so that upon release the team can conduct surveillance and supervision of the offenders in the community. MOST deputy prosecutors also



collect data on the investigation and prosecution of targets. This data is used to compare investigation and prosecution strategies to gauge what is successful and what is not, thus allowing changes in strategies to be made during the grant period.

The three deputy prosecutors also provide training and instruction to law enforcement on the key elements required for successful prosecution. This training and instruction occurs in the form of roll call read-offs, training of new recruit classes, at face to face meetings with officers and detectives, and through various in-service opportunities through the police departments. A roll call read-off is a written memorandum with important information distributed to all police roll call sites to be read off department-wide for a specific numbers of days. An additional component of the training is the importance of evidence collection in property crimes. MOST emphasizes evidence collection in property crimes investigations by encouraging officers to utilize the proper evidence collection equipment available to the departments.

The MOST investigator organizes and supervises investigations on MOST targets and coordinates with other law enforcement agencies the details of such investigations, including the monitoring of overtime funds. Additionally, the MOST investigator assists in training law enforcement officers on topics related to MOST areas of concentration. The investigator collects and tabulates data on investigations for grant reports, investigation reports, and assists in development of new strategies for MOST.

MOST staff participate in monthly Area Investigator meetings to enhance the intelligence information sharing between jurisdictions and to develop comprehensive enforcement strategies to respond to property crimes. MOST also hosts a separate monthly multi-jurisdictional task force with members from the surrounding county law enforcement agencies (including prosecutors' offices) to share intelligence about property crime repeat offenders and develop strategies to investigate and prosecute these offenders. Prosecutors from the surrounding counties have voiced their concerns that often a burglary or larceny is committed in their county, but the property is sold in Marion County. MOST deputy prosecutors now serve as a point person for the surrounding counties to relay information about the target offenders, review cases for possible charges, and assist with the filing of these cases.

MOST also includes an initiative to address the increased number of metal thefts in Marion County and the surrounding counties. The MOST investigator, the deputy prosecutors, work with members of the Marion County Prosecutor's Scrap Metal Task Force and coordinate routine inspections of scrap yards and to check compliance with the local ordinance. A database was created to monitor the inspections and results. Additionally, MOST has created a marking program for businesses to encourage the marking of air conditioners, piping, wire, and other material, which is often subject to burglaries and theft. One of the biggest problems from the investigative and prosecutorial standpoint of scrap metal theft is identifying that the property is stolen. By developing a marking system for precious metal, the marking sends a red flag to the scrap yards, law enforcement officers, and prosecutors that the material is questionable. The MOST deputy prosecutors vertically prosecute individuals who are repeat scrap metal theft offenders. MOST also has a marking program for residents to mark their personal property.

Now, therefore, it is hereby agreed by and between the partners as follows:

***The Marion County Prosecutor's Office will:***

- Administer the grant, report progress to the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, submit financial and program reports, and complete other necessary paperwork, as required by the grant.

- Employ 2.75 FTE deputy prosecutors to focus on vertical prosecution of residential burglary cases.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will establish a criteria list for determining target offenders
- MOST deputy prosecutors will establish a database for maintaining records relating to marked personal and business property.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will train new IMPD recruits on residential burglaries, including resources within the MOST program.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will maintain regular contact with law enforcement officers in Marion, Morgan, Johnson, Hamilton and Hancock Counties regarding pending cases and ongoing investigations.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will maintain regular contact with Prosecutor's Offices in Morgan, Johnson, Hamilton and Hancock Counties regarding pending cases and ongoing investigations.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will host educational forums on property crime prevention to community groups.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will distribute marking kits and engravers to businesses and residences for marking of property.
- MOST deputy prosecutors will host quarterly meetings of the multi-jurisdictional property crimes task force and prosecutor meetings, as well as monthly meetings of law enforcement in order to identify targets for investigation and prosecution.

***The Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department will:***

- Employ an investigator to work with the MOST deputy prosecutors and oversee the law enforcement duties associated with the grant. The investigator will oversee the overtime budget, and allocate officer time accordingly to conduct investigations of targets.
- Attend monthly meetings of law enforcement in order to identify targets for investigation and prosecution.
- Communicate necessary information to law enforcement officers in Morgan, Johnson, Hamilton and Hancock Counties regarding pending cases and ongoing investigations.

***The Hancock County Sheriff's Department will:***

- Appoint law enforcement officer(s) to participate in the MOST program.
- Allow appointed law enforcement officers to attend monthly meetings of law enforcement in order to identify targets for investigation and prosecution.
- Communicate necessary data and information for the successful investigation and prosecution of cases.

***The Hancock County Prosecutor's Office will:***

- Allow appointed deputy prosecutors to attend quarterly prosecutor meetings.
- Cross-designate the MOST deputy prosecutors to allow prosecution of Hancock County cases.
- Communicate necessary data and information for the successful investigation and prosecution of cases.

***The Hamilton County Sheriff's Department will:***

- Appoint law enforcement officer(s) to participate in the MOST program.
- Allow appointed law enforcement officers to attend monthly meetings of law enforcement in order to identify targets for investigation and prosecution.

- Communicate necessary data and information for the successful investigation and prosecution of cases.

*The Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office will:*

- Allow appointed deputy prosecutors to attend quarterly prosecutor meetings.
- Cross-designate the MOST deputy prosecutors to allow prosecution of Hamilton County cases.
- Communicate necessary data and information for the successful investigation and prosecution of cases.

*The Morgan County Sheriff's Department will:*

- Appoint law enforcement officer(s) to participate in the MOST program.
- Allow appointed law enforcement officers to attend monthly meetings of law enforcement in order to identify targets for investigation and prosecution.
- Communicate necessary data and information for the successful investigation and prosecution of cases.

*The Morgan County Prosecutor's Office will:*

- Allow appointed deputy prosecutors to attend quarterly prosecutor meetings.
- Cross-designate the MOST deputy prosecutors to allow prosecution of Morgan County cases.
- Communicate necessary data and information for the successful investigation and prosecution of cases.

*The Johnson County Sheriff's Department will:*

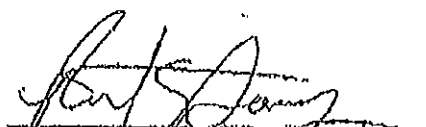
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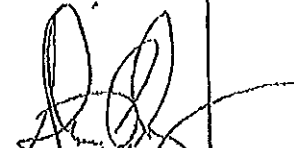
*The Johnson County Prosecutor's Office will:*

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MOST and its participating counties will take a strong stance on combating property crimes and repeat offenders in central Indiana.

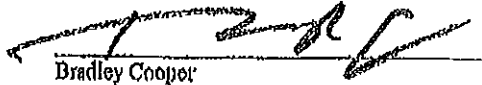
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Morgan County Sheriff

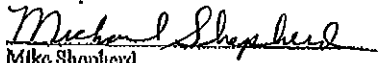
  
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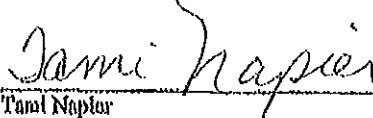
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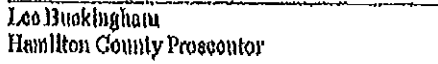
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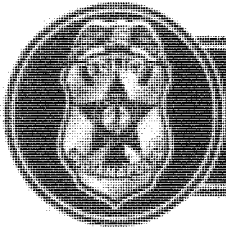
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# Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department

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Paul R. Ciesielski, Chief of Police

05/16/2012

Commissioner John Eckart  
Indiana Department of Revenue  
100 North Senate Ave  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Re: Indiana Tax Documents

Sir,

I am requesting Indiana Tax documents in reference to the following individuals:

Jimichael Parker SSN 308-82-3224 3525 Allison Ave Indianapolis IN 46224 - 2710888  
Courtney Parker SSN 426-43-0059 3964 Polk St Gary IN 46408 - 2710896  
Gerald Joyce SSN 540-04-2793 1047 Noble St Gary IN 46404 - 2710898  
Clinton Skinner SSN 305-78-2102 5719 Port Lillian Dr Apt A Indianapolis IN 46224 - 2710900  
Antwoine Harris SSN 309-94-6157 2309 Pierce St Gary IN 46407 - 2710904  
Anton Harris SSN 309-94-6169 2309 Pierce St Gary IN 46407 - 2710906

This request is to include any personal or business Indiana IT-40 tax returns and Indiana BT-1 forms filed for tax years 2008 through 2011. This is a case being investigated under IMPD Marion County Grand Jury case number GJ11-11-058.

no business

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

CONSENT TO SEARCH

Place \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_

ADVICE OF RIGHTS

YOU ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS:

1. You have the right to require that a search warrant be obtained before any search of your residence, vehicle or other premises;
2. You have the right to refuse to consent to any such search;
3. You have the right to consult with an attorney prior to giving consent to any such search;
4. If you cannot afford an attorney, you have the right to have an attorney provided for you.

CONSENT

The above statement of my RIGHTS has been read to me and I am fully aware of those RIGHTS and do fully understand those RIGHTS. I am \_\_\_\_\_ years of age and I am signing this of my own free will.

I hereby CONSENT TO A SEARCH WITHOUT A WARRANT by officers of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department of the following described residence and/or motor vehicle:

\_\_\_\_\_

located at \_\_\_\_\_, Marion County, Indiana.

I hereby AUTHORIZE those officers to SEIZE any article that those officers may deem as evidence or pertinent to their investigation.

THIS STATEMENT IS BEING SIGNED BY ME WITH FULL UNDERSTANDING OF MY RIGHTS AND OF MY FREE WILL WITHOUT ANY THREATS OR PROMISES HAVING BEEN MADE TO ME.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Advice of Rights and Consent to \_\_\_\_\_ and he/she signed the Consent in my presence.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witnessed by: \_\_\_\_\_

## Vehicle Safety

- Remove valuables from your vehicle.
- Lock and secure your vehicle at all times.
- Control access to your keys.
- Try not to start your vehicle to “warm it up” in the winter months or “cool it off” in the summer months.
- When shopping, secure your personal items first before your purchased goods.
- If shopping, try not to leave purchased items out in the open if you are continuing shopping.

## How to Protect Your Valuables

Keeping a record of your valuables is beneficial to both the police and the insurance agent because insurance agencies require the best possible documentation to verify your claim.

### Inventory Sheet

Use an inventory sheet to record and store: the brand, model, serial number, its value and the date an item was purchased.

### Duplicate Sheet

Store a duplicate copy of your inventory sheet away from your home. The inventory sheet will be of great help to police in their attempts to recover your stolen property.

### Online Records

You can also keep an online record of personal property using the following website:  
[reportit.leadsonline.com](http://reportit.leadsonline.com).



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# M.O.S.T

*Multi-Jurisdictional Offender  
Strategy Team*



## Property Crime Prevention Tips



## **MOST**

MOST is led by community prosecutors who proactively address burglary-related crimes through prosecution and prevention initiatives. MOST prosecutors go beyond jurisdictional lines and work closely with law enforcement in Hamilton, Johnson, Hancock, Morgan and Marion Counties to prosecute burglaries and theft, as part of their efforts to combat crime and other quality of life issues. MOST is funded by a grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute.

### **Metal Theft Prevention**

- Secure all equipment: lawnmowers, ladders, etc.
- Be careful of what you store outside, including recyclables. Thieves know how to use Google Earth.
- Remove access to buildings and roofs.
- Mark metals.
- If having construction done, store supplies in a secured location.
- Pay attention to the vacant homes in your neighborhood and report suspicious activity.
- Cage your air conditioner and use a padlock, especially if at a business.

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## **Burglary Prevention Tips**

### **Use Your Locks**

Even the best locks cannot protect you if you do not use them. Install good deadbolt locks on all exterior doors and use solid entry doors.

### **Let There Be Light**

Install bright outdoor lighting with motion detection, and keep outdoor lights on at night.

### **Do Yard Work**

Make sure you can see into your yard and neighbors can see your house. Keep bushes and trees trimmed so branches do not block outside lighting sources and burglars cannot hide out.

### **Know Your Neighbors**

Neighbors who look out for each other are among the best and most cost effective defenses against neighborhood crimes.

### **Alarm System**

If you have an alarm system, use it! Post warning signs or window decals that display your security company around your property.

### **Don't Let Strangers In**

Even if they are hurt or say they need help do not let them inside. Keep the door locked and call the police for them.

### **Call Law Enforcement**

It is better to be safe than sorry. Notify authorities about suspicious circumstances, unusual people or strange noises and/or activities.

### **Do Not Enter**

If you arrive home and your door is open, things appear to be out of place or you suspect an intruder is inside, leave and CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.

### **Apartment Tenants**

Notify management immediately of any issues.

## **Marking/Engraving**

### **Why you should mark or engrave items**

When your valuable property is marked or engraved with a unique personal code it discourages burglary and theft. If stolen, your property can then be easily traced and identified as yours.

### **The Personal Code**

A personal code should be engraved on an area that cannot be easily dismantled or seen to the public eye but is easily seen under proper conditions.

### **Invisible Ink**

For items you cannot or do not wish to engrave, consider marking them with invisible marking ink that can only be seen under UV light. Although the invisible marking pen may not deter the burglar taking the item, it can greatly add to identification of items recovered. However, the ink can be washed off and will dissipate within three years.

### **How to Sell Engraved Items**

If you sell your engraved items: scratch one line through your personal code (so that it is still readable), initial it and give the buyer a bill of sale describing the property.

### **What Not to Engrave**

Do not engrave items such as heirlooms, paintings, antiques, silver, china, or items that you will be selling for profit, instead photograph or video record these items.

**Marking/engraving and recording your personal property is easy and worth the time!**





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July 27, 2012

RE: Solicitation of Support for Marion County Prosecutor's Office Burglary Enforcement Strategy Team's Grant Renewal Application

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ :

The Marion County Prosecutor's Office created the Multi-jurisdictional Offender Strategy Team (MOST) in 2012 in an effort to reduce the number of property crimes in Marion County and the surrounding counties. MOST pursues this objective by two means. First, the MOST prosecutors work with law enforcement agencies in Marion County and the surrounding counties to track and prosecute multiple and repeat property crime offenders. Second, MOST aims to reduce property crimes by increasing awareness of the problem and educating people about the steps they can take to prevent property crimes in their communities.

MOST is housed in the Marion County Prosecutor's Office, but it is funded by federal grant money that is administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. The initial grant was received in and expires at the end of this year. In order to continue our efforts in 2013, MOST is in the process of completing a renewal application—and we need your help!

You can help MOST win approval for a second year of funding by writing to the Board of Trustees at the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. Please send your letters of support to Amie Martens at [amie.martens@indy.gov](mailto:amie.martens@indy.gov), Daphne Whitmire at [daphne.whitmire@indy.gov](mailto:daphne.whitmire@indy.gov) or Jennifer Jones at [Jennifer.jones@indy.gov](mailto:Jennifer.jones@indy.gov) or by fax at 317-327-6918 by **Friday, August 10, 2012** so that we can include them in our grant application. We are asking the agencies and organizations we partner with to send letters that describe: (1) how they work with MOST; and (2) some of the accomplishments achieved by working together. By highlighting the benefits of teamwork and MOST's strategic approach, we hope to ensure continued funding for the critical task of reducing property crimes in central Indiana.

For your reference, we have attached a sample letter of support.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Again, we need your letters of support by Friday, August 10, 2012. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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Dear Members of the ICJI Board of Trustees,

On behalf of (agency name), I am honored to provide this letter of support for the Marion County Prosecutor's Office Multi-Jurisdictional Offender Strategy Team (MOST) grant application. As we strive to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for central Indiana residents, this team will continue to bring valuable resources together. This team's strategic method of addressing property crimes in Indianapolis and surrounding counties promises to enhance the capabilities of law enforcement.

MOST helps to establish a coordinated effort between law enforcement agencies over multiple jurisdictions. This coordination and collaboration is essential to success in the fight against crime. Training on better evidence collection techniques will provide the prosecutor's office with the tools they need for prosecuting cases. Educating the public brings a greater awareness of prevention tools and reduces the number of victims of property crimes. Finally, the collaboration across county lines and among jurisdictions will ensure that offenders are held accountable no matter where they live or where they choose to commit crimes.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal. I sincerely hope that it is fully funded and believe this project will help ensure safer communities.

Sincerely,

## Seguridad en los vehículos

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- No deje artículos de valor dentro de su vehículo.
- Mantenga su vehículo cerrado con llave en todo momento.
- Controle quién tiene acceso a las llaves.
- No prenda su vehículo para “calentarlo” en el invierno ni para “enfriarlo” en el verano.
- Cuando vaya de compras, asegure sus artículos personales primero, antes de lo que compró (Ejemplo: la bolsa, las llaves, etc.)
- Si está de compras, no deje expuestas las cosas que acaba de comprar si va a continuar comprando.

## Como Prevenir el Robo de Metales

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- Proteja todo el equipo: el cortacésped, la escalera, etc.
- Tenga cuidado con lo que guarda afuera. Los ladrones saben usar Google Earth.
- Impida el acceso a los inmuebles y los tejados.
- Marque los metales.
- Si su propiedad está en obras, guarde los materiales en un lugar seguro.
- Preste atención a casas vacías en su barrio y denuncie las actividades sospechosas.
- No deje el reciclaje donde se pueda ver fácilmente.
- Proteja el aire acondicionado con un armazón y use un candado, especialmente si está en un negocio.

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## Consejos de Prevención de Delitos Contra la Propiedad



## FISCALIA DEL CONDADO DE MARION

## Cómo proteger sus cosas de valor

El **Multi-jurisdiccional Offender Strategy Team (M.O.S.T.)** recomienda usar un inventario para anotar y guardar información de su propiedad personal.

- Debería hacer una lista que incluya la marca, modelo, número de serie y fecha de compra, junto con el valor de cada artículo. Guarde una copia de su inventario fuera de su residencia. El inventario será de gran ayuda para la policía en sus esfuerzos por recuperar la propiedad robada y devolvérselo al dueño verdadero en caso de que sea recuperada. También, en caso de siniestro, este inventario será de vital importancia, ya que su agente de seguros requerirá la mejor documentación posible para verificar su reclamo.
- También puede guardar un inventario de sus bienes personales en el internet usando la siguiente página web: <http://reportit.leadsonline.com>.

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## Consejos para la prevención de robos

- **USE SUS CERRADURAS.** Instale puertas de acceso macizas y un buen cerrojo en cada puerta que se da al exterior y recuerde, ningún cerrojo podrá protegerle si no lo utiliza.
- **HAGASE LUZ.** Instale iluminación exterior brillante con detección de movimiento. Mantenga las luces encendidas por la noche.
- **CUIDE SU JARDIN.** Mantenga los arbustos y árboles podados para que las ramas no bloqueen la iluminación y los ladrones no puedan esconderse. Asegúrese de que puede ver su patio y de que los vecinos pueden ver su casa.
- **CONOZCA A SUS VECINOS.** Los vecinos que se cuidan unos a otros están entre las mejores y menos costosas defensas contra los delitos en su barrio.
- **SISTEMA DE ALARMA.** Si lo tiene, ¡úselo! Coloque señales de advertencia o pegatinas en las ventanas de su propiedad.
- **NO PERMITA LA ENTRADA A PERSONAS DESCONOCIDAS A SU HOGAR.** Incluso si están lesionados o dicen necesitar ayuda. Mantenga la puerta cerrada con llave y llame a la policía para ellos.
- **LLAME A LAS AUTORIDADES.** Infórmele sobre circunstancias sospechosas, gente inusual, o ruidos y/o actividades extrañas. Es mejor prevenir que lamentar.
- **NO ENTRE.** Si llega a casa y la puerta está abierta, o si sus pertenencias parecen estar fuera de lugar, o si sospecha que hay un intruso adentro, SALGA Y LLAME A 911 INMEDIATAMENTE.
- **HABITANTES DE APARTAMENTOS.** Infórmele a la administración inmediatamente de cualquier problema con su propiedad.

## Marcar y grabar

El **Multi-jurisdiccional Offender Strategy Team (M.O.S.T.)** recomienda marcar y/o grabar sus bienes de valor con un código personal único para disuadir que se los roben. En caso de robo, su propiedad puede ser fácilmente rastreada e identificada como suya.

- El código personal debe ser grabado en un área que no pueda ser desmantelada fácilmente o notada a simple vista, pero que en condiciones adecuadas pueda ser detectada con facilidad.
- Para aquellos artículos que no pueden ser grabados o que no quisiera grabar, considere marcarlos con tinta invisible de seguridad que se puede ver bajo una luz ultravioleta. Aunque el marcar sus pertenencias no evite que éstas sean robadas, ayudará a identificarlas si se recuperan. Sin embargo, recuerde que la tinta se puede lavar y que podría borrarse dentro de tres años.
- Si usted vende artículos de su propiedad que han sido grabados, trace una línea sobre el código personal para que siga siendo legible, ponga sus iniciales y provea al comprador con una factura de venta que describa el objeto.
- No grabe objetos de valor tales como reliquias, pinturas, antigüedades, plata, porcelana o artículos que piense vender en el futuro, sino fotografíe o filme estos objetos.

**¡Marcar, grabar y hacer un inventario de sus bienes personales es fácil y vale la pena!**



**The Marion County Prosecutor's  
Office Multi-Jurisdictional  
Offender Strategy Team  
encourages marking and/or  
engraving of personal property.**

**Items should be marked or engraved with a  
unique personal code to deter theft and help  
law enforcement identify and return stolen  
property.**

To request information on how to receive  
your free marking kit, please call Marion  
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STATE OF INDIANA	)	IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
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COUNTY OF MARION	)	
STATE OF INDIANA	)	
	)	
v.	)	CAUSE NO. 49G03-1303-FB-019096
	)	49G03-1303-CM-018992
	)	
MITCHELL MATLOCK	)	
D.O.B: 3-8-1966	)	
Gallery #:359768	)	

**PLEA AGREEMENT**

The Defendant, Mitchell Matlock, in person and by counsel, Richard Hagenmaier and the State of Indiana, hereby enters into this plea agreement made pursuant to negotiations. The parties agree as follows:

1. This agreement, signed by the Defendant, Defense Counsel, and the Deputy Prosecuting Attorney assigned to the above case, shall be introduced into evidence by stipulation of all the parties at the time of the guilty plea.
2. Defendant enters into this agreement knowing that the Court has the authority to accept or reject the agreement and understands that the Court may take the Defendant's criminal record into consideration in determining whether to accept or reject this plea agreement.
3. The Defendant agrees to plead guilty to:
  - Count I- Burglary/FB**
  - Count II- Burglary/FB**
  - Count III-Burglary/FB**
4. At the time of sentencing, the State will dismiss: Counts IV, V, and VI under 49G03-1303-FB-019096, and all counts under 49G03-1303-CM-018992.
5. At the time of the taking of the guilty plea and again at the time of the Defendant's sentencing, the State reserves the right to question witnesses and comment on any evidence presented upon which the Court may rely to determine the sentence to be imposed; to present testimony or statements from the victim(s) or victim representative(s), and the State of Indiana and the Defendant agrees that the Court shall impose the following sentence:
 

**A total of 25 years with a floor of 20 years on any executed sentence. All counts to be served consecutive. The Defendant shall pay restitution to David Kathan in the amount of \$1,000, and Rebecca Borne in the amount of \$100.**



**All restitution amounts should be entered as a civil judgment. Defendant shall have no contact with George Bridgeman, David Kathan, Nathaniel Theising, Randall Rybolt, Rebecca Borne, and Shaun Radford. Defendant also agrees to give a truthful statement of all property crimes he has committed within Marion County, Indiana from January 2012-March 2013. State refrains from filing the habitual offender enhancement.**

6. Defendant hereby waives the right to appeal any sentence imposed by the Court, including the right to seek appellate review of the sentence pursuant to Indiana Appellate Rule 7(B), so long as the Court sentences the defendant within the terms of this plea agreement ( ).
7. The Defendant acknowledges that the State's recommendation, or agreement to make no recommendation, is based on the Defendant's criminal history known to the Deputy Prosecutor representing the State at the time this agreement is executed and who entered into the agreement. In the event that such information is incomplete, that a further or more accurate criminal history is discovered prior to the entry of judgment or the Defendant is charged with the commission of another offense prior to sentencing, the State reserves the right to unilaterally withdraw from this agreement at any time prior to the entry of judgment herein. It is further agreed that the sentence recommended and/or imposed is the appropriate sentence to be served pursuant to this agreement and the Defendant hereby waives any future request to modify the sentence under I.C. 35-38-1-17 ( ).
8. The Defendant understands and acknowledges by his/her initials that if this agreement is accepted by the Court; the Defendant will give up the following rights:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (a) the right to a public and speedy trial by jury;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (b) the right to confront and cross examine the witnesses against him/her;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (c) the right to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his/her favor;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (d) the right to require the State to prove his/her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (e) the right to remain silent and the right not to be compelled to testify against oneself;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (f) the right to present evidence on one's own behalf and to be presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (g) the right to appeal the conviction(s).
9. The Defendant further acknowledges that entry of a guilty plea pursuant to this agreement

constitutes an admission of the truth of all facts alleged in the charge or counts to which the Defendant pleads guilty and that entry of the guilty plea will result in a conviction on those charges or counts. (    ).

10. The Defendant acknowledges satisfaction with Defense Counsel's representation and competency in this matter (    ). The Defendant believes this agreement to be in the Defendant's best interest (    ).
11. The Defendant acknowledges that he/she has a right to pursue post-conviction relief, if there is a legal and factual basis to do so, and that entering a guilty plea herein does not operate as a waiver of that right. (    ).
12. If the Defendant is not a United States citizen, this criminal conviction could affect the Defendant's immigration status including, but not limited to, the Defendant being deported from the United States, the Defendant being denied re-entry into the United States, and the Defendant being prohibited from becoming a citizen of the United States (    ). Defendant has discussed fully with his / her counsel the effect of signing this agreement on his/her citizenship status. (    ).
13. This agreement embodies the entire agreement between the parties and no promises or inducements have been made or given to the Defendant by the State which is not part of this written agreement. (    ).

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**Mitchell Matlock**  
Defendant

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**Richard Hagenmaier**  
Counsel for Defendant

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**Daphne Whitmire**  
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

I certify that I have informed the victim and / or victim's representative of the fact that the State has entered into discussions with defense counsel concerning this agreement and of the contents of the State's recommendation, if any; and, that I will notify the victim and his/her representative of the

opportunity to be present when the Court considers the recommendation.

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**Daphne Whitmire**  
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