



# HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**For Immediate Release**

On Wednesday, March 21, 2018, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced that Harrison County Sheriff's Department participated in a joint effort to continue to maintain accurate information of registered sex offenders in Harrison County.

Harrison County Sheriff's Department along with the United States Marshall Service, Biloxi Police Department and Gulfport Police Department conducted a two day operation called "Operation Coastal Cleanup" that was on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. The operation was a coordinated effort to ensure registration compliance of convicted sex offenders throughout Harrison County.

During the operation more than 240 compliance verifications were conducted on registered sex offenders. Compliance verifications were completed by officers visiting and/or contacting individual homes and/or places of employment of each registered sex offender. Ten registered offenders were found to be non-compliant and cases are currently being reviewed by Harrison County Investigators for violations of state law and warrants will be issued for these individuals.

Investigative Officer: Cpt Coley Judy \_\_\_\_\_

Arresting Officer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Approved For Release: \_\_\_\_\_

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi

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