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News Press Release

Sheriff's Officers Across New Jersey Apprehended 1,221 in a Three Day Child Support Sweep

February 11, 2016 – Statewide

Sheriffs' Association of New Jersey (SANJ) President, Sussex County Sheriff Michael F. Strada, announces today the apprehension of 1,221 delinquent parents in SANJ's Eighth Annual Child Support Warrant Sweep. The goal of the three-day (February 2-4) intensive Non Support Sweep is to apprehend non-custodial parents who have failed to pay their court-ordered child support. Additional targets included parents who have failed to appear at court hearings to establish a child support order or order for medical support.

The Sweep is conducted in cooperation with the New Jersey Office of Child Support Services (NJOCSS). The SANJ is the lead agency in this event as per the Sheriff Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement between NJOCSS and the SANJ, as authorized under Federal Regulation 45 CFR 302.34. The NJOCSS has commended both the Sheriff's Association of New Jersey and the Judiciary for collaboratively supporting the Sheriff's final procedures and data report for the Sheriffs' Child Support Warrant Sweep.

Sheriff's Officers from statewide Sheriff's Offices, with assistance from other agencies, canvassed the state in search of offenders over the course of the three-day Child Support Sweep. **A total of 1,221 warrants were served and approximately \$224,088.36 was collected. The total amount of money owed on the warrants was \$25,390,459.66.**

Sheriff's Association of New Jersey President, Sussex County Sheriff Michael F. Strada stated,

"Our twenty-one County Sheriffs and their Officers strive to do their best during the year and especially during these sweeps to make sure that the children of our State receive the support they are supposed to receive. Our children are our most prized possession; every parent must do everything they can to be a part of their child's life. You can never get the time back that passes by."

The Sheriffs' Association of New Jersey has attached the statistics for each county indicating the number of warrants executed and the amount of child support owed and collected.