



# Media Release

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**\*\* SEX OFFENDER COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION \*\***

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of sex offenses for which community notification is permitted. The subject is **NOT** wanted by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department at this time. California Penal Code Section 290, also known as "Megan's Law," permits law enforcement agencies to warn the community about sex offenders who reside there. The purpose of this notice is to allow members of the public to protect themselves and/or their children from sex offenders.

In order to uphold its mission of working in partnership with the community to provide the highest quality public safety services, the San Diego County Sheriff's Department has adopted a pro-active community notification policy. This notification is not intended to induce fear; rather it is our belief that an informed community is a safer community. **Use of this information to threaten, intimidate, or harass the subject or any other person will not be tolerated and may result in prosecution.** If you have information regarding criminal activity about this or any other offender, please call (858) 565-5200 or, in case of an emergency, dial 911.



HEDGE, MATTHEW CO-000702-1

**SUBJECT:** Matthew Harvey HEDGE  
**DOB:** 3-16-63  
**ADDRESS:** 480 Alta Road,  
San Diego, CA. 92179

**VEHICLE:** None

**DEMOGRAPHICS:** Caucasian male, 5' 7", 167 lbs,  
Brown hair, Hazel eyes

**DOJ**

**CLASSIFICATION:** Sexually Violent Predator

**SUPERVISION**

**STATUS:** Conditional Release Program

**INFORMATION:** Hedge was convicted in 1989 of 647a PC Annoying or Molesting a child, 288(a) PC Lewd Acts with a child under 14 yrs, and 314.1 PC Indecent Exposure. Hedge's victims were both female and male juveniles ranging in age from 6-13 years of age. Hedge was evaluated at Coalinga State Hospital as a mentally disordered sex offender. As a result of the sexually based crimes, Hedge was sentenced to several years in custody. Upon completion of his prison sentence, he was civilly committed to Coalinga State Hospital as a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP). Hedge petitioned the courts and was judicially granted a Conditional Release into the community with the Department of Mental Health supervising his integration into the community. On 4-24-09 at about 1910 hours, Liberty Health Care advised the San Diego Sheriff's Department, Matthew Hedge had arrived in San Diego County and was placed at the above address.

Public references:

California Megan's Law website  
San Diego Sex Offender Management Council website  
San Diego SAFE Task Force

[www.meganslaw.ca.gov](http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov)  
[www.sdsomc.com](http://www.sdsomc.com)  
[www.sdsafe.org](http://www.sdsafe.org)

**REFERENCE:** If you have any additional information or questions regarding this community notification contact Sgt. Jim Walker at the Sheriff's Child Abuse, ph# 858-974-2412.

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