

## Child Safety Watch

### **Derek Nixon Registered Sex Offender**

#### ***“Derek Nixon Allegedly Attempted to Lure Young Children in Long Beach”- LBPB HQ***

Long Beach PD officials, joined by Mayor Bob Foster, announced the arrest of a Long Beach man named Derek Nixon who allegedly attempted to lure young children, and in one case, allegedly attempted a lewd or lascivious act on a child.

On Oct. 24 2008, Derek Nixon was arrested in the City of Torrance due to allegations of attempted lewd and pornographic acts on children. According to the Long Beach Police Department, "During the incidents, the suspect made contact with unsupervised children, showed them pornographic material and attempted to persuade them into a nearby alley. When unsuccessful, the suspect drove away." The public also aided in the arrest and successful conclusion of the case through the tip off which ensured the arrest of the accused.

The LBPB released home surveillance video and requested the public's help in ID'ing a suspect wanted in connection with four incidents involving the luring of children. In the home surveillance video a physical description, a hair style and other features of the suspect were shown making it possible for identification of Derek Nixon. Sgt. Eaton said that in one incident, the suspect "was able to lure a child away from an area where the child was playing, got her into a secluded area and then [allegedly] attempted to do harm to her." The investigation also drew the attention of the officers to a prior case believed to be connected to these incidents which occurred on August 11, 2008 in the area of 19th St. and Gale Ave.

On Oct. 28, the L.A. County District Attorney's office filed one felony count of attempted lewd or lascivious acts and seven misdemeanor counts of annoying or molesting a child less than 18-years of age; the suspect is in L.A. County Jail with bail currently set at \$240,000. The suspect is not a registered sex offender, LBPB says.

Child Safety has been a constant issue in the world for decades now. The advent of internet and mobile devices has made this fight a difficult one to win. Perverts around the globe have been given a platform to hide under other people and showcase their perverted mind and thoughts, and due to lack of adequate parental guidance in internet usage a lot of kids have fallen prey to this global problem.

Child Safety Watch continues to help keep children safe by sharing information about child sexual predators in numerous communities. They empower parents by providing information from aggregated news reports on child sexual offenders from around the country.