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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Riverside Police Conducts Sting Operation**

Riverside, CA – Thursday February 17, 2011, The Riverside Police Department Vice Unit, in conjunction with officers from the University Neighborhood Enhancement Team (UNET) and detectives from the Riverside Police Department Gang Unit, conducted a “John” sting operation along the University Avenue corridor.

The focus of the operation was to stop men who drive the University corridor and solicit women for sex acts in exchange for money or drugs. This type of operation directly addresses livability issues in the City of Riverside by deterring the future behavior of offenders and discouraging prostitution.

During the operation, eleven arrests were made for Solicitation for Prostitution, Loitering for the Purposes of Prostitution and Lewd Acts in Public. Ten arrested offender’s vehicles were towed and stored. All suspects face up to three years probation, ten days in jail and fines up to \$700.00 and must pay tow and storage fees if they were arrested from their car. All convicted offenders must enroll in an AIDS Education Program and may be required to register as Sex Offenders.

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