

U.S. MARSHALS OPERATION



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FACT SHEET OPERATION FALCON III

Deputy U.S. Marshals teamed with their state, local and federal colleagues in the largest roundup to ever focus on violent sex offenders and gang members. FALCON III investigators arrested **10,773** fugitives, clearing **13,333** warrants. Operation FALCON III - Federal And Local Cops Organized Nationally - was a massive fugitive operation, which covered the eastern-half of the country from October 22-28, 2006. As a cooperative effort, Operation FALCON III removed some of the country's most dangerous sex offenders and gang members from the streets, making America's communities safer. FALCON III investigators achieved the following results:

- **1,659 Sex Offenders Arrested**
 - **971 Unregistered Sex Offenders Arrested**
 - **364 Documented gang members arrested**
 - **140 Homicide warrants cleared**
 - **3,609 Narcotics/OCDETF warrants cleared**
 - **232 Firearms Seized**
- Deputy U.S. Marshals have received worldwide praise for their skills in locating and arresting wanted criminals, but the assistance they receive from their colleagues at the local, state and federal levels often completes their ability to capture the worst of the worst.
 - The citizens of the United States are always best served when law enforcement agencies work together towards the common good. Teamwork was the key during this seven-day initiative. As a total of **1063** different agencies participated, including:
 - **30** federal agencies;
 - **103** state agencies;
 - **430** county sheriff's offices / departments;
 - **482** police departments, and
 - **18** foreign agencies.
 - Within the Marshals Service, **48** districts in **24** states were involved in this operation - including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. An average of more than **3,000** law enforcement officers worked each day during this very special show of force.
 - The Marshals Service has embraced such productive interagency teamwork since the early 1980s, when it first combined the legendary fugitive-hunting prowess of its Deputy U.S. Marshals with a determination to work closely with other law enforcement officers at every level of government.