



## U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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# Community Informational

**TUCSON SECTOR BORDER PATROL -- In an effort to improve our communications within the community, we are sending you this Community Informational to inform you of significant actions taken by Border Patrol Agents in the Tucson Sector Area of Responsibility. We are excited to provide you this insight into issues that may appear in the media. We would appreciate your feedback and constructive criticism on how we can better keep you informed. If you would like to see something added, let us know. If you prefer not to receive this information, or know of someone who would like to receive it, please email us at [tcfieldcommunicationsbranch@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:tcfieldcommunicationsbranch@cbp.dhs.gov). Finally, feel free to forward this to others who may benefit from this information. The following is a rundown of activities that occurred over the past week within the Tucson Sector.**

### **Significant Arrests**

**(CASA GRANDE)** Agents from the Casa Grande Station apprehended an illegal alien Sunday who admitted he was a member of the 18<sup>th</sup> Street gang. After inputting his fingerprints into Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS), agents discovered that the man had been convicted of manslaughter. The subject was held for prosecution.

**(CASA GRANDE)** Casa Grande agents arrested an illegal alien Saturday who has a conviction for unlawful sexual activity with a minor. The conviction was revealed by the IAFIS. The subject was held for prosecution.

Criminal aliens, such as gang members, are among the people attempting to enter the United States illegally. The Border Patrol uses IAFIS to rapidly identify these individuals so they can be brought to the appropriate law-enforcement resolution. Border Patrol agents are committed to working with local, state, federal and tribal law enforcement agencies to ensure that these individuals are brought to justice.

### **Rescues and Recoveries**

**(CASA GRANDE)** Casa Grande agents discovered skeletal remains Sunday while patrolling the West Desert. The scene was turned over to the Tohono O'odham Police Department.

The Tucson Sector has more than 200 trained EMTs and approximately 3,300 agents ready to provide aid to those in need, regardless of nationality. Smugglers continue to put peoples' lives in danger by leading them through the harsh desert terrain; often abandoning them if they are unable to keep up.

### **Seizures**

**(AJO)** On Monday, Tucson Sector Border Patrol agents assigned to the Ajo Station seized more than 1,000 pounds of marijuana, valued at over \$800,000. Agents assigned to the All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) unit patrolling in the West Desert discovered suspicious foot prints. The ATV unit tracked the foot prints and uncovered 21 bundles of marijuana hidden in the brush. The marijuana weighed in at more than 1,000 pounds. A thorough search of the area was conducted for the smugglers without success. The marijuana, valued over \$800,000, was seized and taken to the Ajo Station for processing.

The Border Patrol utilizes several specialty units, such as the ATV unit, to effectively patrol in isolated areas. The right combination of personnel, technology and tactical infrastructure gives the Border Patrol the resources it needs to gain operational control of our border.

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