

Registered Sex Offenders

The Bellevue Police Department is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550 and the Washington State Supreme Court decision in State v. Ward. This court decision authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex offender or kidnapping offender's release, when in the discretion of the agency, the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

Unless explicitly stated, the sex offenders listed in this publication are NOT WANTED BY THE POLICE AT THIS TIME. This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather, it is Bellevue Police Department's belief that an informed public is a safer public. The Bellevue Police Department has no legal authority to direct where a sex or kidnapping offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, these offenders are constitutionally free to live wherever they choose.

Sex offenders have always lived in our communities. It was not until the passage of the Community Protect Act of 1990, that law enforcement was notified where these offenders were living. In many cases, law enforcement is now able to share some of that information with you. It should go without saying, that citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated. Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications.

It is the Bellevue Police Department's practice to share with the citizens of Bellevue information related to all Level II and Level III registered sex offenders that have stated their intent to reside in the City of Bellevue, regardless of whether or not they have a fixed residence.

When an offender is released from custody and placed back to the community, they are evaluated to determine their risk classification level. This evaluation is based on a complex scoring and review process. Community safety is a primary factor in the process. The following is a brief explanation of Classification Levels:

- Level 1: These offenders present the lowest possible risk to the community and their likelihood to re-offend is considered minimal.
- Level 2: These offenders present a moderate risk to the community and they have a higher likelihood of re-offending than Level 1 offenders. They are considered a moderate risk to re-offend, because of the nature of their previous crimes, behaviors, and their lifestyle.
- Level 3: These offenders pose a potential high risk to the community and are considered a high risk to re-offend. Most have prior sex crime convictions and their lifestyles, behavioral choices, and tendencies place them in this classification.

The number of sex offenders residing in the City of Bellevue varies from month to month. In September 2021, there were 68 Level I offenders; 8 Level II offenders; and 4 Level III offenders.

If you have information regarding current criminal activity involving these or any other offenders, please call 9-1-1.



Offender

Name: Ivo Kirilov ATANASOV Level II

Physical Description

Age: 68 Height: 5'-9" Hair: Gray Sex: M Weight: 180 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: White Scars/Tattoos:

Address

1600 block of 149th Place SE, Bellevue, WA 98007

Offenses

Description: 1. Indecent Liberties - RCW 9A.44.100(1)(b)

Year Convicted: 2016 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. In 2016, Ivo Atanasov was convicted of Indecent Liberties (victim incapable of consent), and is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.

Offender

Name: Ken Richard BEST Level II

Physical Description

Age: 59 Height: 5'-11" Hair: Brown Sex: M Weight: 200 lbs. Eyes: Hazel

Race: White Scars/Tattoos:

Address

3000 block of 122nd Place NE, Bellevue, WA 98005

Offenses

Description: 1. Communication with a Minor for Immoral Purposes - RCW 9.68A.090(2)

2. Promoting Prostitution in the second degree – RCW 9A.88.080(1)(b)

Year Convicted: 2015 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. Ken Best is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.

2. Per RCW 9A.44.196, this offender is prohibited from frequenting any public or private facility whose primary purpose, at any time, is to provide for the education, care, or recreation of a child or children, including, but not limited to, community and recreational centers, playgrounds, schools, swimming pools, and state or municipal parks.



Offender

Name: Justen D. DEAN Level III

Physical Description

Age: 33 Height: 5'-6" Hair: Brown Sex: M Weight: 185 lbs. Eyes: Blue

Race: White Scars/Tattoos:

Address

Transient –12900 Block of Bel-Red Road, Bellevue, WA 98005

Offenses

Description: 1. Rape of a Child in the first degree - RCW 9A.44.073

2. Rape of a Child in the third degree – RCW 9A.44.079

Years Convicted: 2002 and 2011 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. Justen Dean has two convictions for Failure to Register as a sex offender.

2. Per RCW 9A.44.196, this offender is prohibited from frequenting any public or private facility whose primary purpose, at any time, is to provide for the education, care, or recreation of a child or children, including, but not limited to, community and recreational centers, playgrounds, schools, swimming pools, and state or municipal parks.

3. Justen is rated a Level III Offender, high risk to reoffend.

Offender

Name: Searaun Lavoi FORD Level II

Physical Description

Age: 46 Height: 6'-0" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 200 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Black

Scars/Tattoos: Multiple tattoos

Address

2700 block of 162nd Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98008

Offenses

Description: 1. Rape in the second degree - RCW 9A.44.050

Year Convicted: 1993 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. Searaun Ford has a conviction for Failure to Register as a sex offender.

2. Searaun Ford is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.





Offender

Name: John Scott DAIGNEAULT Level II

Physical Description

Age: 54 Height: 6'-2" Hair: Blonde Sex: M Weight: 205 lbs. Eyes: Blue

Race: White Scars/Tattoos:

Address

5600 block of 123rd Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98006

Offenses

Description: 1. Rape of a Child in the first degree - RCW 9A.44.073

Year Convicted: 1994 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. John Daigneault is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.

2. Per RCW 9A.44.196, this offender is prohibited from frequenting any public or private facility whose primary purpose, at any time, is to provide for the education, care, or recreation of a child or children, including, but not limited to, community and recreational centers, playgrounds, schools, swimming pools, and state or municipal parks.

Offender

Name: Brett Allen GILLETTE Level II

Physical Description

Age: 27 Height: 5'-8" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 155 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Am Ind Scars/Tattoos:

Address

500 block of 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

Offenses

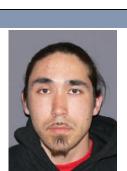
Description: 1. Child Molestation in the first degree - RCW 9A.44.083

Year Convicted: 2012 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. Brett Gillette is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.

2. Per RCW 9A.44.196, this offender is prohibited from frequenting any public or private facility whose primary purpose, at any time, is to provide for the education, care, or recreation of a child or children, including, but not limited to, community and recreational centers, playgrounds, schools, swimming pools, and state or municipal parks.





Offender

Name: Alexander Lee JEUNG Level III

Physical Description

Age: 27 Height: 5'-4" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 150 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Asian

Scars/Tattoos: Multiple tattoos

Address

14600 block of NE 34th Street, Bellevue, WA 98008

Offenses

Description: 1. Attempted Indecent Liberties - RCW 9A.28.020(1)

Year Convicted: 2015 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. In 2015, Alexander Jeung was convicted of Attempted Indecent Liberties w/o forcible compulsion, (victim incapable of consent).

2. Alexander Jeung is rated a Level III Offender, high risk to reoffend.

Offender

Name: Michael Donte JONES-THOMAS Level II

Physical Description

Age: 39 Height: 6'-5" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 260 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Black Scars/Tattoos:

Address

500 block of 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

Offenses

Description: 1. Voyeurism - RCW 9A.44.115

Year Convicted: 2015 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. In 2015, Michael Jones-Thomas sexually assaulted a 15 year old acquaintance, but pled guilty to voyeurism.

2. Michael Jones-Thomas is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.





Offender

Name: Brian Richard LEE Level II

Physical Description

Age: 42 Height: 5'-9" Hair: Brown Sex: M Weight: 145 lbs. Eyes: Blue

Race: White Scars/Tattoos:

Address

2600 block of 168th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98008

Offenses

Description: 1. Two counts-Possession of Depictions of a Minor Engaged in Sexually

Explicit Conduct - RCW 9.68A.070

Year Convicted: 2012 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. Brian Lee is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.

2. Per RCW 9A.44.196, this offender is prohibited from frequenting any public or private facility whose primary purpose, at any time, is to provide for the education, care, or recreation of a child or children, including, but not limited to, community and recreational centers, playgrounds, schools, swimming pools, and state or municipal parks.

Offender

Name: Taion Antonio LEVIEGE-MORTON Level III

Physical Description

Age: 34 Height: 6'-0" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 250 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Black Scars/Tattoos:

Address

Transient – 4100 block of Factoria BLVD SE, Bellevue, WA 98006

Offenses

Description: 1. Rape in the third degree - RCW 9A.44.060(1)(a)

Year Convicted: 2011 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. In 2011, Taion Leviege-Morton was convicted of raping an ex-girlfriend. In 2014, he was also convicted of Failure to Register as a sex offender.

2. Taion Leviege-Morton is rated a Level III Offender, high risk to reoffend.





Offender

Name: Ricardo OROPEZA-QUIROZ Level III

Physical Description

Age: 27 Height: 5'-8" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 185 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Hispanic Scars/Tattoos:

Address

14500 block of NE 35th Street, Bellevue, WA 98007

Offenses

Description: 1. Indecent Liberties - RCW 9A.44.100

Year Convicted: 2017 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. In 2015, Oropeza-Quiroz assaulted two separate women, during two separate incidents. He pled guilty to the crimes in 2017.

2. Ricardo Oropeza-Quiroz is rated a Level III Offender, high risk to reoffend.

Offender

Name: Robert L. VEDEROFF Level II

Physical Description

Age: 47 Height: 5'-11" Hair: Black Sex: M Weight: 185 lbs. Eyes: Brown

Race: Black Scars/Tattoos:

Address

Transient-500 block of 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

Offenses

Description: 1. Indecent Liberties - RCW 9A.44.100

Year Convicted: 1990 State of Conviction: Washington

Comments

1. In 1990, at the age of 16, Robert Vederoff committed the crime of Indecent Liberties.

2. Robert Vederoff is rated a Level II Offender, moderate risk to reoffend.

