



El Dorado County Sheriff Office



Press Release

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Jaycee Dugard Press Conference August 27, 2009

Jaycee Dugard 11 years, was abducted in June of 1991 off the street in front of her South Lake Tahoe residence

The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office is happy to report that Jaycee Dugard had been found in good health in the Concord/Antioch area, 18 years after the abduction.

Aug 25, 2009, the University California Berkeley Police encountered the Phillip Garrido seeking access to the Berkeley Campus to hold an event. During their encounter the campus police officer noted Phillip Garrido was accompanied by two minor aged females.

The UC campus police officer looked into Garrido background and found that he was on Federal Parole, overseen by California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Phillip Garrido's convicted crimes were kidnapping and rape.

UC police contacted the State Parole Office, which resulted in Phillip Garrido having a follow up visit at the state parole office in concord, CA.

Phillip Garrido brought along with him to the parole meeting, Nancy Garrido, a female named "Allissa" and two minor children.

The Parole agent had never seen these individuals during his parole visits and thought that the females in Garrido's company were suspicious and contacted Concord PD.

Ultimately, the female named "Allissa" was identified as Jaycee Dugard. Subsequent interviews with Jaycee and the Garridos provided information that only the victim and kidnappers could know. DNA confirmation is being sought.

The two minor children, who accompanied Phillip, Nancy and Jaycee to the Parole Office, turned out to be the children of Jaycee Dugard and Phillip Garrido. All five individuals were living together at Phillip's residence since the original kidnapping in June of 1991.

The Garrido's were taken into custody and the investigation lead detectives to the Garrido's residence located in the unincorporated area of Contra Costa County near the city of Antioch. A search of the residence revealed a hidden backyard within a backyard.

This hidden backyard had sheds, tents and out buildings where Jaycee and the girls spent most of the lives. The tents and out builds were placed in a strategic arrangement to inhibit outside viewing and to isolate the victims from outside contact.

There was a vehicle hidden in the backyard that matched the vehicle originally described at the time of the abduction.

Family reunification has begun and will be a long ongoing process. The victim witness program from El Dorado County DA's Office and FBI as well as the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children involved in that process.

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El Dorado county detectives continue the investigation at this time, working closely with the El Dorado County District Attorney's Office and the FBI. Further media information on this case can be obtained contacting the Dorado County District Attorney's Office at (530) 621-6484. If you have information or tips regarding the Jaycee Dugard case please call (530) 642-4747 and leave your information.