



## COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION LEVEL 2 SEX OFFENDER ALERT

The Gila County Sheriff's Office is releasing the following information pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-3825, the Community Notification on Sex Offenders Law. The offender in this notice has indicated that he will be living in Gila County, Arizona. Notification must be made when certain sex offenders are released from The Arizona State Prison, accepted under an interstate compact, released from The County Jail, or moves into an area from another jurisdiction. The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex offense that allows for community notification. He is not wanted by the Gila County Sheriff's Office or any other agency at this time.

This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather, it is our belief that an informed community is a safer community. ***Citizen abuse of this information to harass, intimidate, or threaten sex offenders will not be tolerated.*** You may contact a Gila County Sheriff's Office Sex Offender Registration Deputy to have any questions you have answered. You may also contact him to help you join or start a neighborhood watch program. If you have any information regarding current criminal activity on this or any other offender, please call (928) 474-2208 or (928) 425-4449 or dial 9-1-1.

**NAME: Chris H. Benavidez Jr. 42 year old M/H 5'07" 190 lbs. black hair and brown eyes**

**ADDRESS: 664 Pima St.  
Globe, AZ**

**Vehicle information: Silver 2001 Infinity 4 door  
AZ wheel chair WCFFN42**

The then 29 year old suspect engaged in sexual intercourse with a 15 year old female victim over the course of several months. The victim was his babysitter. When the suspect was 18 years old he began having sexual intercourse with a 16 year old female who became his first wife. When the suspect was 21 years old he began sexual intercourse with a 16 year old female who became his second wife. He was arrested and convicted, in Pinal County for sexual conduct with a minor involving the 15 year old babysitter. He was sentenced to 2 years in the Arizona Department of Correction and was released on 02-24-1997. In 2006 he was arrested for failure to report a change of address. He is now on probation with the Gila County Adult Probation Department and is current on his registration requirements.



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Payson - Detective George Ratliff (928) 474-2208

Globe - Detective Johnny Holmes (928) 425-4449