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Owners of Central Florida's Largest Escort Service Charged with Racketeering & Money Laundering

A two year investigation conducted by agents with the **Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation (MBI)** and the **Saint Cloud IRS-Secret Service Money Laundering Task Force (SCIRS-SS)** has resulted with the owners of Central Florida's Largest identified Escort Service, "**Girls Next Door**" being federally indicted for **Racketeering and Money Laundering**. The investigation has also resulted in **over one half million dollars in cash and properties**.

The escort service owners', Mr. Ethan Green and Mrs. Tiffany Green, operated the **Girls Next Door Escort Service** from their residence. During an earlier search warrant executed at the Green's residence, 3192 Bower Lane, Deltona, Florida, (See Attachment A), MBI and SCIRS-SS agents seized financial records for the **Girls Next Door Escort Service**, a laptop computer utilized in the businesses' day to day operations, **videotapes of employee interviews, employee information, and detailed information for more than 400 customers**. Following the execution of the search warrant, the Greens put the house on the market and vacated the residence following the sale of the property.

MBI agents additionally served a search warrant at a financial institution seizing 13 bank accounts belonging to Ethan and Tiffany Green and **Girls Next Door**. More than **\$176,000 was held in these accounts**. After further investigation, it was learned that the residence on Bower Lane as well as 10 acres of land in the Black Hammock area of Seminole County, had been purchased with illegal money gained from prostitution. SCIRS-SS seized **\$94,454 in proceeds from the sale of the residence on Bower Lane**, along with the **9.83 acres of land in Seminole County, valued at \$250,000**.

As the investigation continued, SCIRS-SS Task Force agents and MBI agents traveled to several states to conduct interviews with former employees and customers of **Girls Next Door**. So far, sixteen (16) employees and fifty-one (51) customers of **Girls Next Door** have been interviewed.

Girls Next Door began operating in the Central Florida area in 2002. The escort service advertised in *The Orlando Weekly*, the *Yellow Pages*, as well as on the internet (See Attachment B and C). Customers would call the advertised telephone number which connected them to a telephone agent employed by ***Girls Next Door***. The telephone agent would obtain the customer's contact number, personal information, preferred payment method, and asked several questions in an attempt to determine if the customer was an undercover law enforcement officer. After determining that the caller was not law enforcement, the telephone agent would then contact the escort and give the escort the address and directions to the customer's location.

Customers were charged an initial fee of \$180.00 per hour cash or \$220.00 per hour if paying by credit card for the escort's time. After the escort arrived at the customer's location any additional fees for sexual services would be negotiated by the customer and the escort. Fees could range from **\$100.00 to \$2,000.00, depending on the sexual service provided and the length of the visit.** Customers of ***Girls Next Door*** escort service who were interviewed by agents stated that they had received various sexual services from escorts employed with ***Girls Next Door***. The escorts interviewed by agents also corroborated that, while working for ***Girls Next Door*** escort agency, they had provided sexual services to customers in exchange for money.

Girls Next Door kept \$100 of the initial \$180 per hour fee and half of any additional fees, known as "tips", for sexual services that were paid via credit card. The escort would keep the remainder of the initial per hour fee as well as the entire sexual service tip if paid in cash.

The investigation revealed that ***Girls Next Door*** earned over **\$750,000** since 2002, while operating as an escort service. The **United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida** will be prosecuting the case.

Attachments:

- A. 3192 Bower Lane, Deltona, Florida
- B. *Orlando Weekly* Ad
- C. Yellow Page Ad

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