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***FIRST WEEK OF "CRIME EMERGENCY" A SUCCESS
7 GUNS RECOVERED, 21 ARRESTS***

April 16 – On April 10, 2008, Police Chief Ronald Davis declared a "crime emergency" based on a spike of violence in which 7 people were shot in 10 days. Additional police units were placed in the field to strategically focus their efforts on those believed to be involved in the violence.

Since the crime emergency declaration, 7 guns have been recovered and 21 arrests made. Two suspects in possession of firearm fled and managed to evade capture. However, both weapons have been recovered and the suspects have been identified by pursuing officers. Detectives are seeking arrest warrants for both.

Below is a list of the arrests:

- 5 Firearms
- 3 Narcotics
- 1 Felony
- 6 Felony Warrants
- 1 Misdemeanor Warrant
- 2 Misdemeanors
- 3 Traffic

There has been only 1 shooting incident in the past week. That incident involved the arrest of two suspects carrying firearms. As officers approached the two suspects, one suspect fired one round at the officers. There were no injuries and both suspects were taken into custody and their guns recovered.

The crime emergency will continue for a second week at which time the Police Department and the California Highway Patrol (CHP) will implement Operation Impact. This operation increases traffic enforcement in high gang areas to target those transporting guns in vehicles.

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