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Cottage Grove Police Department to host a Community Dialogue on sexual predators

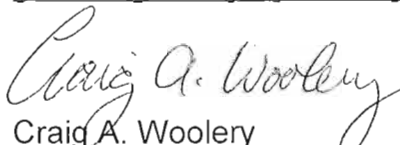
How safe is our community? How safe are your children?

These questions are among many that will be addressed by experts in the field of sexual violence prevention in a community forum. The forum, "Sexual 'Predators' Among Us: Who Are They?" is scheduled for **Thursday, April 10 from 7-9 p.m. at the Cottage Grove Junior High School.**

Come to the forum to hear panelists from the Cottage Grove Police Department, the Minnesota Department of Corrections, the Jacob Wetterling Foundation, and Human Services, Inc. Some of these professionals assess, supervise, monitor, and study sexual predators who live among us; some of these professionals work with the victims and their families.

This FREE community forum is your opportunity to learn about characteristics of sexual predators and also to learn how to recognize signs of sexual abuse. This dialogue will help you understand what you need to do to protect yourself, your family, and our community. Following the panel discussion, you will have the opportunity to ask the panelists questions.

For more information about the forum, go to the City of Cottage Grove web site, at www.cottage-grove.org, or contact Officer Gwen Martin at 651-458-2850 or gmartin@cottage-grove.org


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