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Montco Sheriff deadbeat parent sweeps represent over \$3.4 million in support payments

Norristown, Pa., (November 19, 2014) – Montgomery County Sheriff Russell Bono is not letting up on deadbeat parents. Fifteen sheriff's deputies fanned out to Norristown, Pottstown and Abington with a list of 67 deadbeat parents, who owed \$142,365 for 20 kids, and had either avoided child support payments or court appearances. Nine dads were arrested between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m., and three more turned themselves in after learning that they were being pursued.

"We are keeping deadbeat parents on the front burner," said Bono. "I think it's unconscionable that a father wouldn't take his responsibility to his kids seriously."

Bono said he has been happy with the results of the raids since he started them up in April after taking office in March 2014. Social media efforts have also helped significantly. A total of 266 defendants representing \$3.4 million have been arrested or turned themselves in to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Warrants Division or the Domestic Relations Office.

"The holidays are coming," said Bono. "Maybe some of these kids will get Christmas presents as a result of our efforts."

Anonymous tips regarding wanted individuals may be reported by either calling the MCSO **TIP LINE** at **610-278-3340** or, by filling out the online "**Submit a Tip**" form on the MCSO webpage at www.montcopa.org/sheriff, or by sending an email to sheriffwarrant@montcopa.org. Tips can also be submitted by posting a message on either **Facebook** at www.facebook.com/montcosheriff or **Twitter** @MontCoPASheriff,

The "**Domestic Relations Most Wanted for Child Support**" list is available at www.montcopa.org/sheriff by clicking on the link "Wanted Persons."