

ROUND LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT



PRESS RELEASE



Chief Michael Gillette and the Round Lake Police Department launched a new sex offender registration and public notification website called OffenderWatch®. Round Lake Police Department will now be part of a nationwide network of over 5,000 law enforcement agencies. The new service is a citizen-friendly, easy to use website that enables citizens to search for potentially dangerous sex offenders and predators, which may be in close proximity to their homes, places of work, schools, churches and day care centers. The information is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is updated in real time by the Round Lake Police Department. As part of this new, innovative service, citizens may enter any address of interest to them, and see a map and listing of all offenders within a *user defined radius* of that address. Citizens can then register the address to be continuously monitored by the Round Lake Police Department, who will send to them an email alerting them if an offender or predator should register an address within their specified radius of their address. Citizens may confidentially register as many addresses as they like, at no cost to them. Round Lake Police Department and its implementation of OffenderWatch® will help make the village safer and provide the highest level of security to all Round Lake citizens.

Citizens can access the OffenderWatch® registry at the Round Lake Police Department sex offender search page at: <http://www.communitynotification.com/il/roundlake> or by accessing a link on the Village of Round Lake website: <http://www.eroundlake.com>