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Fugitive Safe Surrender Update: More than 400 People Turned Themselves in on the First Day

ATLANTIC CITY – Attorney General Jeffrey S. Chiesa and State Parole Chairman James T. Plousis announced today that more than 400 individuals from across New Jersey and other states turned themselves in on the first day of Fugitive Safe Surrender – Southern New Jersey Region.

“The more than 400 people who turned themselves in today no longer need to worry about looking over their shoulders for law enforcement,” Attorney General Chiesa said. “For those people who still have outstanding New Jersey warrants, I urge you to take the opportunity on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday of this week to get a fresh start.”

“Fugitive Safe Surrender was created, first and foremost, to prevent the risk of harm, both for law enforcement officers and for individuals who are wanted even for minor offenses such as unpaid municipal fines,” Parole Chairman – and former US Marshal – Plousis said. “The more than 400 people who have turned themselves in so far represent a tremendous success for public safety, and for the lives of those who will no longer have to live in hiding.”

Fugitive Safe Surrender-Southern New Jersey Region began today, April 21. **The program will NOT operate tomorrow, Sunday, April 22**, but will run from Monday, April 23 through Wednesday, April 25. Anyone wanted on non-violent New Jersey warrants can turn themselves in at the Grace Assembly of God Church, 201 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, New Jersey. Individuals wanted on warrants issued by any New Jersey state, county or municipal law enforcement agency may voluntarily surrender at the church from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on those days.

Fugitive Safe Surrender is not an amnesty program, but individuals wanted for non-violent offenses will be given favorable consideration for their decision to voluntarily and peacefully surrender, face the court and take responsibility for their offenses. Individuals wanted for violent crimes may also surrender, but they are very likely to be taken into custody. Members of the public may call **855-FSS-NJ12** or visit www.FSSNJ.com for more information.

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