

**CRIME**  
**STOPPERS**  
  
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**SAFE CITY COMMISSION**  
**CRIME STOPPERS**

**YEAR END REPORT**

**2009**

## **Executive Summary**

Since 1982, tips coming in over the Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers hotline have resulted in excess of **\$1,692,000** in rewards being paid to anonymous tipsters. These tips resulted in the recovery of over **\$30,101,000** worth of stolen property and narcotics, over **7,200** law breaking individuals being arrested, and over **12,200** cases being cleared.

The Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers Program has two operational divisions. Collectively, in 2009 these divisions paid **\$118,411** in rewards. These rewards helped effect the recovery of **\$415,081** in stolen property and narcotics, the arrest of **435** individuals, and the clearing of **864** cases.

### **The Community Program – 2009**

Countywide, Crime Stoppers assisted in the recovery of stolen property and narcotics valued at **\$408,599**. In addition, **297** arrests were made, **594** cases were cleared, and **\$103,975** in rewards was paid in 2009.

### **The Campus Program - 2009**

Rewards for the Campus Crime Stoppers Program totaled **\$14,436**, with **\$6,482** in stolen property and narcotics being recovered, **138** individuals arrested, **107** administratively disciplined, and **270** cases cleared on Tarrant County middle and high school campuses.

# SAFE CITY COMMISSION CRIME STOPPERS

## 2009 YEAR END REPORT

*Mission Statement: Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization dedicated to solving the unsolvable crimes in our community. The organization is a cooperative effort between the citizens of Tarrant County, local law enforcement agencies, and the local media. The goal is to generate anonymous tips from the community, which will solve felony crimes, apprehend wanted felons, and make our community a safer place.*

### Crime Stoppers Community Program Statistical Comparison

| Key Indicators                | 2008 TOTAL  | 2009 TOTAL | Since Inception<br>9/14/1982 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------------|
| Informant Contacts            | 10,102      | 9,271      | 188,696                      |
| Tips Received                 | 2,080       | 2,116      | 41,719                       |
| Arrests Made                  | 262         | 297        | 7,275                        |
| Criminal Cases Cleared        | 488         | 594        | 12,219                       |
| Narcotics Seized              | \$1,720,915 | \$204,632  | \$14,336,768                 |
| Property Recovered            | \$418,009   | \$203,967  | \$15,764,310                 |
| Total Prop. & Narc. Recovered | \$2,138,924 | \$408,599  | \$30,101,078                 |
| Weapons Seized                | 25          | 33         | 191                          |
| No. Rewards Paid              | 223         | 233        | 1,959                        |
| Amount Rewards Paid           | \$104,050   | \$103,975  | \$1,692,448                  |

### Tip Analysis

| Offense        | 2008 TOTAL   | 2009 TOTAL   | Since<br>Inception |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Homicide       | 80           | 41           | 1,774              |
| Sexual Assault | 15           | 32           | 665                |
| Assault        | 21           | 21           | 283                |
| Robbery        | 90           | 88           | 1,366              |
| Theft          | 97           | 83           | 1,445              |
| Burglary       | 54           | 54           | 1,714              |
| Forgery        | 44           | 59           | 556                |
| Arson          | 4            | 14           | 127                |
| Narcotics      | 792          | 835          | 13,438             |
| Fugitive       | 661          | 622          | 16,558             |
| Other Crimes   | 219          | 268          | 3,792              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>2,080</b> | <b>2,116</b> | <b>41,719</b>      |

## 2009 Statistics by Agency

| Tarrant County Agency | # Tips Rcvd | # Arrests Made | # Cases Cleared | \$\$ Property | \$\$ Drugs Seized | # Rewards Paid | \$\$ Rewards |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Arlington PD          | 401         | 108            | 239             | \$66,425      | \$21,684          | 88             | \$39,150     |
| Azle PD               | 4           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Bedford PD            | 10          | 1              | 2               | \$0           | \$0               | 1              | \$350        |
| Benbrook PD           | 5           | 1              | 1               | \$0           | \$0               | 1              | \$600        |
| Colleyville PD        | 2           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Crowley PD            | 3           | 2              | 2               | \$0           | \$0               | 1              | \$300        |
| DWG DPS               | 0           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| DFW Airport DPS       | 1           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Eules PD              | 9           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Everman PD            | 2           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Forest Hill PD        | 1           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Fort Worth PD         | 1,185       | 140            | 250             | \$87,542      | \$181,973         | 94             | \$46,775     |
| Grapevine PD          | 13          | 2              | 2               | \$0           | \$0               | 2              | \$1,200      |
| Haltom City PD        | 12          | 1              | 1               | \$1,575       | \$0               | 1              | \$500        |
| Hurst PD              | 14          | 3              | 3               | \$0           | \$145             | 3              | \$750        |
| Keller PD             | 5           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Kennedale PD          | 1           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Lake Worth PD         | 3           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Mansfield PD          | 6           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| NRH PD                | 7           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Pantego PD            | 0           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Richland Hills PD     | 3           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| River Oaks PD         | 7           | 1              | 2               | \$0           | \$0               | 1              | \$350        |
| Saginaw PD            | 6           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Sansom Park PD        | 3           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| Southlake DPS         | 1           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| TCNU                  | 90          | 1              | 1               | \$50,000      | \$750             | 1              | \$450        |
| TCSO                  | 257         | 43             | 99              | \$0           | \$0               | 45             | \$16,150     |
| Watauga DPS           | 0           | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |
| White Settlement PD   | 10          | 0              | 0               | \$0           | \$0               | 0              | \$0          |

## 2009 "Most Wanted" Statistics

| Agency       | No. Fugitives Posted | No. Arrests from CS Tips | No. Turning Themselves In | No. Arrests by Other Info |
|--------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| APD          | 171                  | 26                       | 7                         | 103                       |
| FYPD         | 175                  | 28                       | 8                         | 122                       |
| TCSO         | 163                  | 21                       | 22                        | 123                       |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>509</b>           | <b>75</b>                | <b>37</b>                 | <b>348</b>                |

\*\* The Arlington Police Department Most Wanted and Fort Worth Police Department/Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Most Wanted lists are publicized in the Fort Worth Star Telegram.

## Crime Stoppers Campus Program Statistical Comparison

| Key Indicators         | 2008 TOTAL | 2009 TOTAL | Since Inception |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| Tips Received          | 693        | 555        | 21,333          |
| Arrests Made           | 137        | 138        | 4,241           |
| Cases Cleared          | 317        | 270        | 15,449          |
| Admin Discipline       | 170        | 107        | 11,982          |
| # of Rewards Paid      | 264        | 208        | 7,385           |
| Amount of Rewards Paid | \$16,780   | \$14,436   | \$472,033       |
| Property Recovered     | \$13,175   | \$3,875    | \$413,163       |
| Drugs Seized           | \$3,040    | \$2,607    | \$152,005       |
| # of Weapons Seized    | 16         | 4          | 109             |

### Tip Analysis

| Offense                     | 2008 TOTAL | 2009 TOTAL |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Alcohol                     | 5          | 9          |
| Arson/Hoax Bombs            | 29         | 30         |
| Assault/Threats             | 22         | 20         |
| Bullying                    | 19         | 11         |
| Burglary                    | 8          | 5          |
| Computer Security Breach    | 1          | 0          |
| Criminal Trespassing        | 1          | 1          |
| Deadly Conduct              | 0          | 2          |
| Disruptive Activities       | 12         | 19         |
| Drugs                       | 234        | 234        |
| False Alarm or Report       | 3          | 5          |
| Fugitive                    | 0          | 0          |
| Gambling                    | 1          | 0          |
| Gang Graffiti               | 48         | 19         |
| Gang Membership             | 1          | 2          |
| Graffiti – NOT gang related | 49         | 25         |
| Hazing                      | 0          | 0          |
| Homicide/Attempted Murder   | 0          | 1          |
| Kidnapping                  | 0          | 0          |
| Other                       | 31         | 21         |
| Robbery                     | 0          | 0          |
| Sex Offense/Sexual Assault  | 2          | 1          |
| Theft                       | 59         | 59         |
| Tobacco                     | 44         | 22         |
| Truancy/Skipping            | 20         | 4          |
| Vandalism                   | 58         | 34         |
| Weapon Possession           | 46         | 31         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>693</b> | <b>555</b> |

## 2009 Statistics by ISD

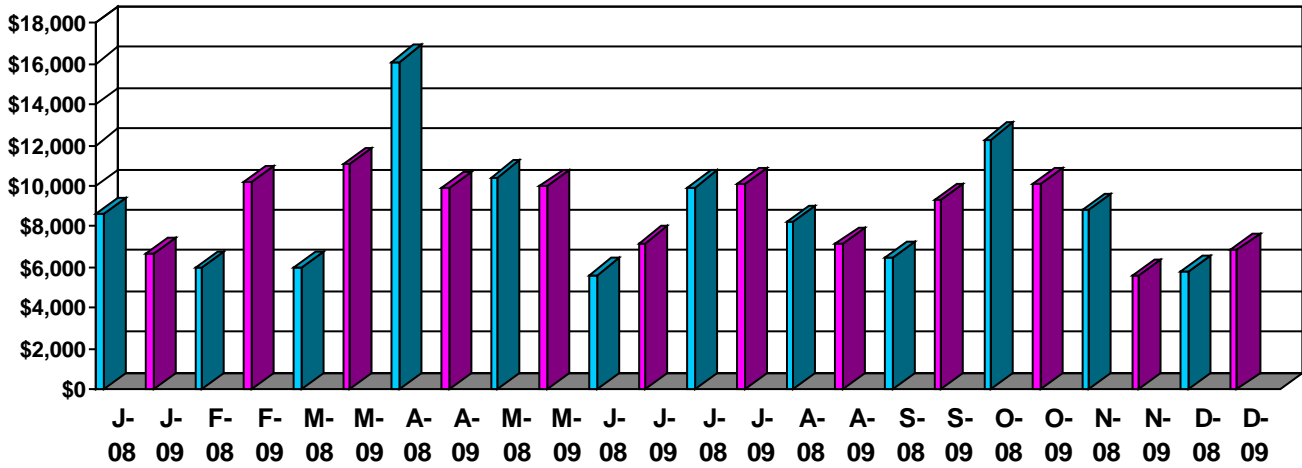
| <b>Tarrant County ISD</b>         | <b># Schools Reporting</b> | <b># Tips Rcvd</b> | <b># Arrests Made</b> | <b># Admin Disc.</b> | <b># Cases Cleared</b> | <b>\$\$ Property Recovered</b> | <b>\$\$ Drugs Seized</b> | <b># Rewards Paid</b> | <b>\$\$ Rewards</b> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Arlington ISD                     | 16                         | 90                 | 27                    | 12                   | 40                     | \$160                          | \$470                    | 34                    | \$2,325             |
| Azle ISD                          | 1                          | 4                  | 1                     | 1                    | 2                      | \$0                            | \$130                    | 2                     | \$250               |
| Birdville ISD                     | 5                          | 53                 | 20                    | 8                    | 32                     | \$520                          | \$300                    | 21                    | \$1,846             |
| Carroll ISD                       | 2                          | 4                  | 0                     | 0                    | 0                      | \$0                            | \$0                      | 0                     | \$0                 |
| Castleberry ISD                   | 1                          | 2                  | 0                     | 0                    | 0                      | \$0                            | \$0                      | 0                     | \$0                 |
| Crowley ISD                       | 7                          | 69                 | 18                    | 15                   | 32                     | \$41                           | \$475                    | 27                    | \$2,075             |
| Eagle Mtn-Saginaw ISD             | 5                          | 68                 | 14                    | 11                   | 35                     | \$2,045                        | \$30                     | 19                    | \$950               |
| Everman ISD                       | 1                          | 2                  | 1                     | 0                    | 1                      | \$0                            | \$22                     | 1                     | \$150               |
| Fort Worth ISD                    | 29                         | 139                | 25                    | 39                   | 67                     | \$1,048                        | \$508                    | 61                    | \$3,745             |
| Grapevine-Colleyville ISD         | 3                          | 10                 | 0                     | 1                    | 2                      | \$0                            | \$0                      | 1                     | \$45                |
| Hurst-Euless-Bedford ISD          | 3                          | 13                 | 4                     | 6                    | 10                     | \$0                            | \$70                     | 9                     | \$800               |
| Keller ISD                        | 8                          | 36                 | 13                    | 8                    | 27                     | \$15                           | \$522                    | 16                    | \$940               |
| Kennedale ISD                     | 1                          | 2                  | 0                     | 0                    | 0                      | \$0                            | \$0                      | 0                     | \$0                 |
| Lake Worth ISD                    | 2                          | 15                 | 8                     | 2                    | 10                     | \$11                           | \$0                      | 6                     | \$225               |
| Mansfield ISD                     | 7                          | 7                  | 2                     | 0                    | 2                      | \$0                            | \$0                      | 3                     | \$100               |
| Northwest ISD*                    | 2                          | 12                 | 0                     | 4                    | 4                      | \$0                            | \$0                      | 4                     | \$110               |
| White Settlement ISD              | 3                          | 21                 | 4                     | 0                    | 5                      | \$35                           | \$60                     | 3                     | \$650               |
| <b>TOTAL: 16 School Districts</b> | <b>TOTAL: 96 Schools</b>   |                    |                       |                      |                        |                                |                          |                       |                     |

\* Northwest ISD Campus Crime Stoppers created their own program in Fall 2009.

\*\* The Safe City Commission Campus Crime Stoppers 2008-2009 School Year End Report is also available.

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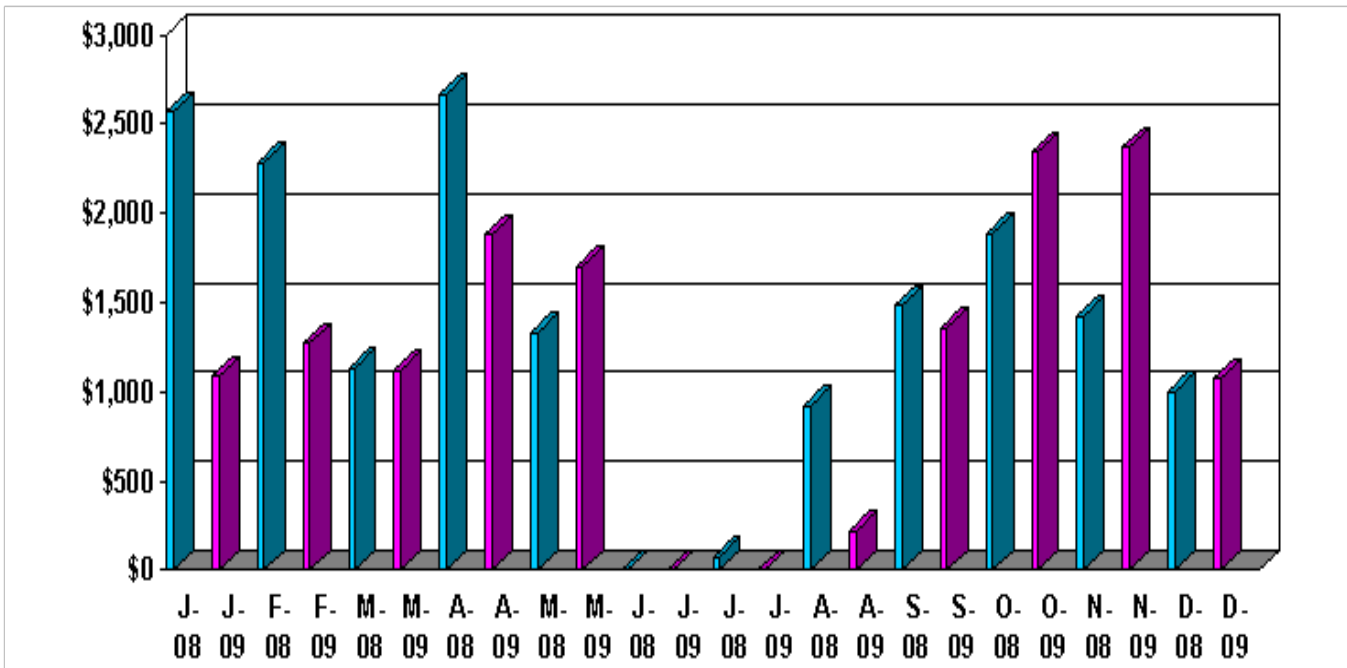
## COMMUNITY PROGRAM REWARDS 2008/2009 COMPARISON



TOTAL 2008 - \$104,050      TOTAL 2009 - \$103,975  
 Program Performance down <1%

# SAFE CITY COMMISSION CRIME STOPPERS

## CAMPUS PROGRAM REWARDS 2008/2009 COMPARISON



TOTAL 2008 - \$16,780      TOTAL 2009 - \$14,436  
 Program Performance down 16%

## **Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers 2009 Success Stories**

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### **Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers Extends Gun & Gang Busters Program**

Gun & Gang Busters is a bonus reward program facilitated through Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers. In addition to the traditional Crime Stoppers money rewarded for a particular crime, Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers will add a bonus reward of up to \$250 for tip information leading to an arrest(s) in gun and/or gang-related crimes in Tarrant County. The program aims at breaking down a code of silence that often exists among gangs and people who witness gang-related or gun-related crimes.

The program was available to all Tarrant County communities and schools in 2009. Since January 1, 2009, Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers paid 66 bonus rewards worth \$12,075.

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### **“Cash for Crooks” Site Helps to Catch Two Arlington Crooks**

In March 2009, Arlington detectives received a tip that identified Michael Collier and Josiah Trapp as the suspects in a string of Aggravated Robberies in South Arlington. The case was posted on Cash for Crooks, which was launched in January 2008. Trapp and Collier were arrested and charged. Trapp was sentenced to 40 years in prison and Collier received 18 years. The victim in this case was pistol whipped inside their business in front of their three year old child.

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### **Tip Leads to Large Bootleg DVDs Bust**

In March 2009, the Fort Worth Fraud Unit received a tip on a Fort Worth location that was selling bootleg/counterfeit DVDs. The suspect, Edward D. Joubert, was arrested for Felony Labeling, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and some Class C warrants. About 1,590 bootleg/counterfeit DVDs worth \$17,808 were seized, along with 200 cases for distributing DVDs, five master copies used to illegally make the DVD copies, and 24 Hydrocodone pills.

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### **Massive Marijuana Seizure in Fort Worth Results from Crime Stoppers Tip**

In March 2009, Narcotics and SWAT officers conducted multiple surveillance operations on a Fort Worth residence. Although no arrests were made, officers confiscated a total of 80 marijuana plants worth \$132,000, marijuana stems and seeds worth \$1,362, and two guns. In addition to receiving a Crime Stoppers reward, the tipster also received a Gun & Gang Busters bonus reward.

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### **Tip Assists Law Enforcement in Nabbing Wanted Sex Offender in Mexico**

In April 2009, an Arlington detective received a tip about a Sex Offender hiding in Mexico. A sergeant and multiple detectives coordinated this information with the US Marshal's Service. The tipster was in Ensenada, Mexico and led US Marshal's to Lyde Ramsey. Ramsey was extradited to the United States for Fail to Register as a Sex Offender, Probation Violation – Aggravated Assault, Felon in Possession of Firearm and Probation Violation – Sexual Assault.

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## Crime Stoppers Receives State Award for Productivity in El Paso, Texas

On May 25, 2009, Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers received the 2008 Productivity Award during the Texas Crime Stoppers Conference Annual Awards Ceremony. The award recognized Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers for attaining the greatest dollar recovery in property and narcotics for a population of more than 1,000,000 in 2008. The Program Coordinator and Fort Worth Police Department Enforcement Coordinators were in attendance to accept the award.

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## Community and Campus Coordinators Partner to Investigate Vandalism Tip

In May 2009, the Fort Worth Police Department community and campus Crime Stoppers coordinators received a tip in regards to two suspects that had vandalized a church by splattering black and purple paint all over the walls and scraping off drying drywall. The suspects were 13-14 year old students at one of the Crowley middle schools so the campus Crime Stoppers coordinator notified a Crowley school resource officer. The amount of damage to the church was around \$4,000. Two felony charges were filed against the suspects. The charges filed were for Criminal Mischief \$1,500-20,000 and Burglary. A Federal Hate Crime report was also submitted due to the satanic graffiti written in the church.

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## Arlington Capital Murder Suspects Arrested from Crime Stoppers Tip

In July 2009, an Arlington detective received a tip that provided information about the Capital Murder at McDonalds. Three people were arrested including two suspects for Capital Murder. The detective seized a Cadillac Escalade, a Beretta 9mm, and \$1,628 cash along with 4.51 grams of marijuana and 115.75 grams of crack cocaine. This tipster received the full Crime Stoppers reward and the Gun & Gang Busters bonus reward for their information. The suspects, Corian Johnson and Anthony Banks, were charged with Capital Murder.

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## Multiple Tips Lead Investigators to Arsonists

In September 2009, several fires were started in West Arlington at two schools and a church. There was approximately \$140,000 worth of property damage. Two Crime Stoppers tips led to the identification and arrest of Jordan Thames and Tyler Teague as the suspects. The suspects were charged with Arson and Criminal Mischief \$100,000 to \$200,000.

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## Tipsters Encouraged to "Chat" with Crime Stoppers

In September 2009, Safe City Commission Crime Stoppers added an anonymous live web chat feature as another tool for soliciting tips on Tarrant County crimes. The software, available through Fort Worth-based Nexus Systems, allows tipsters to engage in a two-way communication system, similar to online instant messaging. Tipsters may initiate a live chat by going to the Crime Stoppers homepage at [www.469tips.com](http://www.469tips.com) and clicking on "Chat." The live web chat feature allows tipsters to provide new tip information, check on old tip information, or ask general questions about the program in real time.

The new feature is part of an on-going effort to provide Crime Stoppers with advanced, current technology so tipsters may have options when they are choosing how to report their information on Tarrant County crimes. Tipsters still have the following options to report tips: call the hotline at 817-468-TIPS (8477), submit a web tip through [www.469tips.com](http://www.469tips.com), or send a text message by texting "TIP117 plus your message" to CRIMES (274637).

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## Partnership Aids Arlington Detectives in Arrest of Serial Robbers

In October 2009, multiple robberies occurred at businesses in Arlington including Game Stop, Jack in the Box, and CD Warehouse. Crime Stoppers and Game Stop partnered with the Arlington Police Department to offer a \$5,000 reward. A Crime Stoppers tip was received, which led to the identification and arrest of the suspects by an Arlington detective. The suspects, Joshua Rodriguez and Luis Macias, were documented members of the 18th Street Gang. They were both charged with multiple counts of Engaging in Organized Crime - Aggravated Robbery.

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## Fake-Document Ring Bust Based on Multi-Agency Investigation

In November 2009, a six-month multi-agency investigation involving the Fort Worth Police Department Gang Unit and Intel Unit, the US Secret Service, and US Immigration and Customs Enforcement ended with the arrest of ten men for Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity-Tampering with Government Records. The fraudulent document ring was made up of gang members, who were making and selling illegal and fake Permanent Resident cards, Texas Drivers Licenses, and Social Security Administration cards. In addition to the ten arrests, the Crime Stoppers tip helped seize \$1,848.70 in cash, computer equipment, illegal and fake documents, and five vehicles. US Immigration and Customs Enforcement put Immigration Detainers and Federal Holds on all ten arrested persons.

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