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### **ILLINOIS STATE POLICE LEADS ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING DEMAND SUPPRESSION OPERATION IN TROY**

**Troy** – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Trafficking Enforcement Bureau arrested 6 individuals during a two-day anti-human trafficking demand suppression operation in the Troy area of Madison County on April 23 - 24, 2025. The operation focused on identifying individuals seeking to engage in sex acts with minors.

As a result of the operation, the following individuals were arrested and charged:

- **Brian P. Tilson, W/M, 43, Highland, Illinois**
- **Justin A. Kuehnle, W/M, 41, Glen Carbon, Illinois**
- **Kyle T. Altevoigt, W/M, 30, Panama, Illinois**
- **Gregory L. Robinson, B/M, 34, Fairview Heights, Illinois**
- **James A. Walker, W/M, 40, Effingham, Illinois**
- **Ulises Mendieta-Galindo, H/M, 36, O'Fallon, Illinois**

All suspects listed were taken into custody and charged: Indecent Solicitation of a Child (Class 3 Felony), Traveling to Meet a Minor (Class 3 Felony), Solicitation to Meet a Child (Class 4 Felony), Grooming (Class 4 Felony), Indecent Solicitation of a Child (Class 4 Felony).

This operation was part of a multifaceted approach by ISP aimed at stopping human trafficking in Illinois. ISP special agents, officers from Troops 8, Zone 6, ISP SWAT, ISP Analysts, MEGSI, Intelligence Support Unit, and Troy Police Department partnered for the operation. The Madison County State's Attorney's Office also provided support for the operation.

[Human trafficking](#) is the use of force, fraud, or coercion to compel a person into commercial sex acts, labor, or services against their will. ISP continues its multifaceted approach toward protecting those most vulnerable with its ongoing statewide human trafficking enforcement operations. The signs of human trafficking can be subtle; to learn more, please visit [Recognizing the Signs | National Human Trafficking Hotline](#).

If you suspect human trafficking, contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or text \*233733. For more information visit [www.humantraffickinghotline.org](http://www.humantraffickinghotline.org). You can also email [ISP.CrimeTips@illinois.gov](mailto:ISP.CrimeTips@illinois.gov).

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**The charges are not evidence against the defendants, and the defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.**

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