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Coalinga Police Department conducts Operation City Sweep

In response to recent increase in gang related criminal activity, on February 20th 2016, a joint patrol and investigations operation was organized in the City of Coalinga called Operation City Sweep. The primary focus of the operation was on contacting known gang members, narcotic users, persons on probation/parole and wanted persons. The sweep began at 1600 hours and ended just after 2000 hours. The operation consisted of active parole/probation searches and heavy saturation of areas known to the Department as being areas where criminal gang activity has recently occurred.

The sweep resulted in 6 arrests on a variety of outstanding warrants or charges, 5 additional Parole or Probation compliance searches and several field interviews on known gang members or narcotics users that are not on active parole or probation.

Operations like this are crucial to a a successful crime prevention program. These operations plus the community's continued support by reporting both suspicious activity and crimes in progress will ensure that our community will be one of the safest in California.