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SEX OFFENDER RELEASE NOTIFICATION

August 21st, 2019



CHRISTOPHER JAMES EDWARDS, (31yo)

**Descriptors: 6'4"/ 280 pounds
Black hair with Brown eyes**

On August 21st, 2019, Mr. Christopher Edwards will be released from incarceration. Upon his release, Mr. Edwards plans to reside in Burlington, VT where he will be under the supervision of the Vermont Department of Corrections-Burlington Probation and Parole. When Mr. Edwards was 20 years old, he had sexual intercourse with an intoxicated 15 year old female stranger. During this time Mr. Edwards was on conditions of release for a separate sexual offense charge.

According to the Vermont Department of Corrections, compared to other incarcerated sex offenders, Mr. Edwards risk to commit another sexual offense is considered to be in the High category, and his risk for general criminal recidivism is also considered to be in the High category. Based on his past history, if he were to sexually re-offend, his most likely victims would be intoxicated or otherwise vulnerable adolescent female acquaintances or strangers. While in the community Mr. Edwards struggled with being compliant as evidenced by a violation of probation and violation of conditions of release. When Mr. Edwards was last in the community, he violated his conditions by threatening his workplace.

Mr. Edwards will be listed on the Vermont Sex Offender Registry and is considered compliant. For further questions please contact Burlington Probation & Parole Phone at 802-863-7350.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual assault, there is support available. Even if the assault did not happen recently, there are resources to help you decide what is best for you, including free medical treatment, advocacy and support. You don't have to go through this alone. There is a whole community ready to support you. For more information, call the state-wide confidential hotline, 800-489-7273, or see the website for the VT Network against Sexual and Domestic Violence, www.vtnetwork.org.

Thank you,


Detective Sergeant Brian LaBarge

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