

Coeur d'Alene Police Department

Coeur d'Alene Police Detectives just completed a follow-up interview with a suspect believed to be responsible for the possible child enticing that occurred on May 31st in the 1200 block of Syringa Ave.

Detectives received an anonymous tip from an adult female who claimed a male matching the description of the child enticing suspect drove up next to her on May 29th 2015 at 1:30pm, in the area of 1st St. and Spokane Ave. The male asked her if she wanted a ride, and told her to get into the car. She declined and walked away but took a photo of his license plate that was later provided to detectives in her tip.

Detectives contacted the male after determining his identity through his vehicle registration. He is eighty years of age and lives in Coeur d'Alene. Detectives have information to believe he is the male who spoke to the 7 year-old child.

The male has not been formally charged with a crime so his name will not be released at this time. In Idaho certain misdemeanors that do not occur in a police officer's presence do not allow for a physical arrest. This incident remains under investigation. Detectives anticipate reviewing this case with the City Attorney's office for a formal charging decision.

We appreciate the assistance of the local media with this case in providing the information to the public. This case was solved due to a citizen getting involved. We encourage parents to review "Stranger Danger" information with their children, and give them tips on how to react in these situations. Resources for discussion with children are available on our website at www.cdaid.org under our Safety Resources tab.

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