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**Rep. Doris Matsui Announces New Funds for Sacramento-Area Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force**

*Recovery Act Funds Released Today Will Help Law Enforcement Protect Children*

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – Today, Congresswoman Doris Matsui (CA-05) announced that the County of Sacramento and the Sacramento Sheriff’s Department will receive \$702,838 from the economic recovery package for the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program. The funds were awarded through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), U.S. Department of Justice.

The ICAC Task Force Program allows law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies to work collaboratively as a national network to prevent, interdict, and investigate crimes against children. This funding will be used to help the Sheriff’s Department, local police departments and law enforcement agencies to develop and implement effective, sustainable responses to online child victimization and pornography.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which Rep. Matsui supported, is a robust economic recovery package that puts real federal dollars into a wide variety of programs

to help Sacramentans – and people across the country. The funding made available through the recovery package will be distributed through the OJJDP, which strives to strengthen the juvenile justice system’s efforts to protect public safety, hold offenders accountable, and provide services that address the needs of youth and their families.

“The Recovery Act is hard at work in Sacramento,” stated Congresswoman Matsui. “This funding will help Sacramento law enforcement with the tools necessary to combat internet crimes and safeguard our children.”

To see where all of the recovery funds have been allocated throughout Sacramento to date, visit [www.matsui.house.gov](http://www.matsui.house.gov) for a complete list and interactive Google Map.

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