Santa Fe Magistrate Court

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MAGISTRATE COURT ANNOUNCES SAFE SURRENDER

(Santa Fe, NM) – The Santa Fe Magistrate Court will offer a Safe Surrender opportunity to anyone who has an outstanding warrant with the court.

Court Manager Michelle Portillo said, "This operation will offer those that have an outstanding warrant the opportunity to voluntarily surrender themselves, in a safe environment, and under favorable consideration."

Anyone who appears on traffic warrants can expect to have their cases fully resolved or be set for a future court date. For those appearing on warrants for other case types, such as DWI and other misdemeanors, Ms. Portillo said, "The Judges will make every attempt to resolve the issue and provide an opportunity to re-engage in their cases without having to be taken into custody."

Most who surrender themselves will return home that same day, knowing that they will no longer be a wanted person.

Operation Safe Surrender will be held on Monday, April 30, 2018 and Friday, May 4, 2018 from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. People with outstanding warrants with the Santa Fe Magistrate Court are invited to turn themselves in at the court located at 2056 Galisteo St., Santa Fe, NM.

Operation Safe Surrender does not provide amnesty, but does enable a wanted person to work with a Judge and seek favorable consideration. An attorney from the Law Office of The Public Defender will be available to assist in cases as may be necessary.

If you are unsure whether you have an outstanding warrant you can check online case lookup at www.nmcourts.gov.

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