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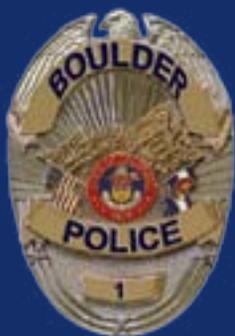


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CBI Expands DNA Operations: BPD to Open New Lab

The Boulder Police Department is partnering with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to open a new, state-of-the-art DNA lab inside the Public Safety Building later this summer.

The lab is called the Colorado Bureau of Investigation/City of Boulder High Throughput DNA Lab. The Boulder lab will focus mostly on processing DNA evidence from property crimes, allowing other CBI labs around the state to focus on testing DNA from other types of crimes such as sex assaults and homicides.

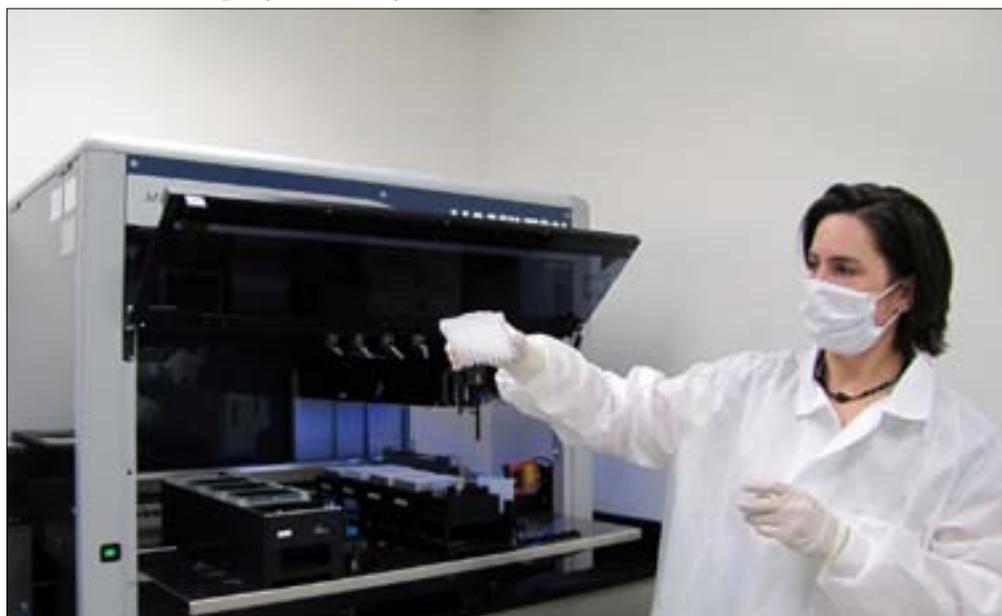
The Boulder High Throughput DNA Lab is expected to analyze evidence for about 500 cases per year initially, with

the goal of expanding that capacity down the road.

While violent crime is trending down, nuisance crimes are on the rise. The lab will be staffed by two full-time CBI employees, who will be able to process up to 64 DNA samples at a time, using robotic equipment. One employee will work at the Boulder Lab permanently; others will rotate from CBI's main office in Denver.

"We are grateful to be able to expand our DNA operations and to provide even greater customer service for law enforcement throughout the state," said

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Kristine Kadash tests new robotic equipment in the Colorado Bureau of Investigation/City of Boulder High Throughput DNA Lab, opening inside the Public Safety Building later this summer.

F.A.Q.

The Boulder Police Department is in the process of completing its Master Plan, which will guide the department's initiatives over the next five to ten years. For more information about upcoming meetings related to BPD's Master Plan, go to: www.boulder-police.com and look for the "BPD Master Plan" tab on the left.

The website is also great place to:

- Find code enforcement information
- Request a ride along with a police officer
- Learn about Boulder's leash laws and dog licensing requirements
- See who's included on Boulder's "Most Wanted" and Cold Cases lists
- View updated crime maps
- Access information about local and state laws
- Pick up safety tips

Do you have a question you'd like to see answered in an upcoming edition? Email your question to Kim Kobel at KobelK@bouldercolorado.gov



Officers patrol along the Boulder Creek Path

BEHIND THE BADGE

NAME: SCOTT SLOAN
ASSIGNMENT: DETECTIVE/COMPUTER FORENSICS ANALYST
YEARS ON THE FORCE: 15



Detective Scott Sloan is Boulder Police Department's expert in computer forensics. His training is extensive and he has most recently become a Certified Forensic Computer Examiner which entailed 80 hours of classroom time, six months of peer review projects and a final exam. He also became an EnCase Certified Examiner which involved 150 hours of classroom time and a 90-day practical exam.

Most of Detective Sloan's days are spent in the lab processing digital evidence seized by officers and detectives. He also investigates a variety of cases including sex assaults, thefts, computer crimes and harassment and he participates in the on-call rotation with other detectives. He uses different kinds of hardware and software solutions depending on the evidence being processed.

When searching through phone data, Detective Sloan says it depends on the phone and its settings. He looks at contact lists, call logs, text messages, media files, e-mails, voicemails, information associated with installed applica-

tions, WIFI, GPS and many other file types. He says it's also possible to retrieve deleted data. With computers, any of the logical data that is contained on a computer can be located. He can search for and recover hidden or deleted volumes, files that have been disguised or hidden, encrypted files, password protected files and, of course deleted data.

The most surprising thing Detective Sloan has found? A nest of spiders inside a computer tower. He said some of his most important work is on child exploitation cases and he's glad to be a part of the ICAC Task Force (Internet Crimes Against Children).

Preparing for Emergencies

The major wild fires burning in Colorado recently remind us that we need to prepare for emergencies beforehand because often, especially during mandatory evacuations when danger is imminent, there is little or no time to gather belongings and other essentials.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) suggests assembling an emergency supply kit and keeping it somewhere that's easily accessible if you have to move fast to escape danger. It might be helpful to make several kits and keep them at home, in your car and at your workplace; you never know where you'll be when a disaster occurs.

Some of the suggested items for an emergency kit include:

- Cash
- One gallon of water per person for three days
- Three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Flashlight & extra batteries
- Battery powered radio
- First aid kit
- Personal hygiene items
- Local maps
- Whistle to signal for help
- Baby wipes

Other things to consider taking with you are things that cannot be replaced, such as heirlooms, family photos, jewelry, art, etc. Again, these should be kept somewhere with quick and easy access.

Don't forget your medications and eyeglasses/contacts.

Do you have pets? They'll need a supply of food and medications and an ID in case you need to claim them from an emergency animal shelter.

If you have children, you may want to bring paper, pens, crayons and some puzzles or games to keep them occupied while you're away from your home.

Don't forget important legal papers, such as:

- Mortgage
- Marriage license
- Will
- Health insurance & ID cards
- Insurance policies (life, home, auto, health)
- Household inventory list & photos
- Bank account and credit card information
- Vehicle registration
- Passport

If you normally store these documents on your computer, create a backup file on a disk or USB drive and keep that in a safe place other than your home. Be sure and update your backup file whenever your documents change.

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Emergency Preparedness: Helpful Resources

Sign up for emergency alerts: www.boco911alert.com.

Emergency Preparedness Guide (downloadable): <http://boulderoem.com>. This is also the place to go for local updates during emergencies.

FEMA: www.ready.gov. Supply lists, etc.

Fire safety information: www.firewise.org.

American Red Cross: www.redcross.org.

Emergency Financial First Aid Kit (EFFAK): www.ready.gov. Downloadable booklet with lists for contacts, bank accounts, insurance, assets, etc.

Twitter: @boulderpolice

Hot weather safety: dogs

Animal Control Officers at the Boulder Police Department have been receiving more and more reports about dogs being left in hot cars. Officers are handling anywhere between eight and 20 calls per day about dogs in distress.

With daily temperatures reaching into the 90's, it's not safe to bring your dog along when you run errands, even if you plan to be out of the car for a short period of time. On a 90 degree day, the temperature inside the car can reach 160 degrees – in just 10 minutes.

In 15 minutes, dogs can begin to suffer from heatstroke. Symptoms include excessive panting or drooling, trouble breathing, stumbling and vomiting. Those symptoms are a sign of a medical emergency, and pet owners should take their dog to a veterinarian immediately for treatment.

In the meantime, owners should move the dog to an air conditioned area, and apply wet, cool towels to decrease the dog's body temperature.

Residents may contact Animal Control by calling 303-441-3333, or 9-1-1 if the situation is urgent.

May 2013 Statistics

Murder	0
Sex Offense	21
Robbery	10
Assault	83
Burglary	202
Larceny	882
Vehicle Theft	36
Arson	8

WANTED!



Dino Albert Curcio

Date of Birth: 12/8/1958

Height: 6'02"

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Hazel

Curcio is wanted for Sexual Assault on a Child by One in a Position of Trust, a class 3 Felony. He has been employed in many hockey programs throughout the United States, most recently in Iowa. It was last reported that he may be in California. Anyone with information on his whereabouts is encouraged to contact Detective Jeremy Frenzen at 303-441-3330.

CBI Lab, continued

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Colorado Bureau of Investigation Director Ronald C. Sloan. "This is a tremendous partnership, and we are grateful for your commitment and support to make this site a reality."

The DNA lab has been more than a decade in the making. The police department allocated space for it inside the Public Safety Building 12 years ago, but ran out of money to purchase the necessary equipment. With funds from taxpayer-approved capital improvement bonds, other city departments and the police department, the lab is now a reality and is set to open for business sometime in August.

"This lab will benefit everyone in Boulder County," said Boulder Police Department Deputy Chief Dave Hayes. "There is a strong tie between property crimes and future, more serious crimes. The more property crimes we solve, getting suspect DNA into the main system, the more likely we are to solve other crimes."

One of direct benefits to the Boulder Police Department and other law enforcement agencies within Boulder County is that CBI will give priority to our DNA case evidence. Another advantage is the addition of a separate evidence drop off point, which will allow law enforcement officers from cities like Loveland, Greeley and Fort Collins to leave evidence from their cases with a CBI "runner" here in Boulder. The runner will take that evidence to and from the main lab in Denver, saving agencies time, money and fuel.

The Colorado Bureau of Investigation will manage both the lab and the evidence collection area, maintaining a completely separate existence from the Boulder Police Department's Property and Evidence area.

Additional contact information:

Emergency Assistance — 24 hours

Police 911
Fire 911
Medical 911

Mental Health 303-447-1665

Rocky Mountain Poison Center
1-800-222-1222

Xcel Energy/Electrical outage
1-800-895-1999

Xcel Energy /Gas leak or odor
1-800-895-2999

Non-Emergency Assistance

Police 303-441-3333
Fire 303-441-3333
Medical 303-441-3333
Police Records 303-441-3300
Professional Standards
303-441-3312
Public Works 303-441-3249

Community Police Center

303-413-7324
Located on 16th Street, just south of Pearl St.
Staffed Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

