MEDIA RELEASE

7/22/10 - Law Enforcement Initiative in Eden Park Area Resulted in 47 Arrests

The East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office along with the Baton Rouge City Constable's Office, Middle District Delta Drug Task Force, FBI, Probation and Parole and the EBR District Attorney's Office carried out a warrant initiative yesterday evening in the Eden Park area (bordered by North Street to Washington Avenue and North Foster to 38th Street) to create a safer environment for residents that resulted in approximately 47 arrests and the clearing of 201 outstanding warrants. Approximately 110 men and women participated in the initiative.

Charges included Failure to Register as a Sex Offender, Possession with Intent to Distribute Crack Cocaine, Drug Possession and Multiple Traffic Warrants. Law Enforcement also towed five vehicles without proof of insurance.

EBRSO arrested Leroy Goins, 49, of 4367 Noah Street for Possession with Intent to Distribute Crack Cocaine, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Schedule IV. Deputies seized approximately 22.5 grams of suspected crack cocaine, 12.5 grams of suspected marijuana and one dosage unit of suspected Propacet from Goins' residence.

Deputies also arrested Migail Donaldson, 24, of 734 N. 47th Street for Illegal Carrying of a Firearm and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. Deputies seized a stolen High Point .40 caliber handgun with nine live rounds from Donaldson.

This is one of many initiatives for the Sheriff's Office, and is the seventeenth such event for the Warrants Division. Similar initiatives in other areas collectively resulted in hundreds of arrests and cleared more than 1,000 outstanding warrants.

The agencies conducted criminal patrols, bike patrols, traffic safety checkpoints and foot patrols going door to door in the various areas talking to residents in an effort to foster a safer environment in the neighborhood. Divisions represented from the Sheriff's Office were Community Policing Unit, K-9, Detectives, Narcotics, SCAT, Armed Robbery and Burglary, Auto Theft, Financial Crimes, Warrants, Civil and representatives from each substation. Supervisors, including Sheriff Gautreaux, colonels, majors and captains from each division were present.