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## Kennewick Police Department

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Case Number: 18-00810

Date and Time of Incident: January 8th, 2018

Location of Incident: Kennewick

Victim's Name: 13 year old juvenile female

Defendant's Name: Roy David Farber

Age 31

*Do not release name if a juvenile.*

Address: 5100 block of West Clearwater Ave., Kennewick, WA

Summary of Incident:

On Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, detectives with the Kennewick Police Department received a report from the parents of a 13 year old juvenile female alleging a 31 year old male, Roy David Farber, had been inappropriately communicating with their daughter. Roy, a corrections officer at Two Rivers Correctional Institution in Umatilla, OR, is suspected of exchanging numerous notes with the girl and provided her with a cell phone that her parents did not know about. When her parents found the phone they discovered sexually explicit text messages and images and turned the phone and notes over to police. Detectives served a search warrant at Roy's residence and seized several electronic items to include cell phones and computers to examine for additional evidence. Roy was booked into the Benton County Jail on a 72 hour investigative hold for suspicion of Felony Communication with a Minor for Immoral Purposes. This is an active investigation and additional charges may follow.

If someone has information that they would like to provide while remaining confidential, they may call the Crime Stoppers line at 586-TIPS (8477), 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or visit [www.tricitiescrimestoppers.org](http://www.tricitiescrimestoppers.org)

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