



## City of Oshkosh Police Department

SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION BULLETIN

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The Oshkosh Police Department is releasing the following information found on the opposite side of this page pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 301.45 and 301.46 (Act 440), which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex offenders release when, at the discretion of the agency, the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex offense that requires registration with the local law enforcement agencies. Further, his/her previous criminal history places the offender in a classification level which reflects the potential to offend.

This sex offender has served the sentence imposed on him/her by the courts and has advised officials that he/she will be living in the location on the opposite side of this page. **THIS PERSON IS NOT WANTED BY THE POLICE AT THIS TIME.** THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC.

Sex offenders have always lived in our communities but it was not until the passage of Act 440 (which mandates sex offender registration) that law enforcement even knew where they were living. In many cases, law enforcement is now able to share that information with you. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated. Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. We believe the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex offender, since the sex offenders derive their power through secrecy.

The Oshkosh Police Department is available to help you set up a Neighborhood Watch and to provide you with useful information on personal safety. If you have information regarding current criminal activity of this or any other sex offender, please call the Oshkosh Police Department at (920) 236-5700. In the case of an emergency, call 911.



DATE OF PHOTO:



01/2026

JAMES F. GIERINGER  
HOMELESS OSHKOSH, WI  
DOB: 07/01/1971  
5' 11" TALL 360 LBS  
GRAY HAIR GREEN EYES

The offender was convicted in 2008 of CHILD ENTICEMENT-SEXUAL CONTACT and POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY. The victims were prepubescent males not known to the offender.

**SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS/REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1.) NO UNSUPERVISED CONTACT WITH MINORS; NO CONTACT WITH VICTIM; NOT TO CONSUME DRUGS.
- 2.) COMPLY WITH STANDARD SEX OFFENDER RULES; COOPERATE WITH ELECTRONIC MONITORING.
- 3.) FACE-TO-FACE CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUIRED; COMPLY WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS AND LIFETIME REGISTRANT OF WI SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY.

**JAMES GIERINGER will be releasing as HOMELESS in the City of Oshkosh, WI as of MARCH 21, 2026.** He is on Lifetime GPS. He is on Probation until 03/21/2029. For more information check [www.doc.wi.gov](http://www.doc.wi.gov)

**Contact Information: Oshkosh Police Department: Emergency 911 – Non-Emergency 236-5700. Oshkosh Probation and Parole (920) 424-1721**

**Information on the Internet: [www.oshkoshpd.com](http://www.oshkoshpd.com) , <http://offender.doc.state.wi.us/public/> or [www.wistaysafe.gov](http://www.wistaysafe.gov)**

**Additional sex offender information:**

As of 03/04/26, there are 27,666 registered sex offenders required to register in WI. 6,553 are incarcerated, 6,112 are on active supervision and 15,001 are terminated from supervision. There are 615 registrants in Winnebago County.