



Robert Rankin Chapter #62 Public Service Awards

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First Responder Honoree of the Month
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Harris County Constable's Office Pct. 5



L-R Compatriot Allen Perkins, Lieutenant Luis Gonzalez, Honoree Detective Carlos Sandoval, Sergeant Dallas Sessums, and Compatriot Tom Jackson. Photo courtesy of Daniel Arizpe.
Det. Sandoval received the SAR Law Enforcement Medal and Certificate and all members of the Harris County Constable's Office Pct. 5 pictured above received a Certificate of Appreciation for Covid Heroic Service.

Detective Sandoval's exceptional work is being highlighted in a formal commendation for his outstanding contributions to a major ICAC investigation involving the distribution and possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM). In June 2025, following a Cyber-Tip from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the sharing of CSAM on a social media platform, Detective Sandoval served as the lead investigator. He skillfully obtained and executed subpoenas and social media search warrants that led to the development of a suspect.

In September 2025, he led a multi-agency ICAC team in executing a high-risk residential search warrant, resulting in the seizure of multiple computers and cell phones. Detective Sandoval then conducted a meticulous forensic review, analyzing and tagging thousands of images and videos ultimately uncovering over 400,000 images and videos of CSAM on the devices. He presented the case to the Harris County District Attorney's Office, which filed three first-degree felony charges for Possession of Visual Material Depicting Sexual Assault of a Child Under the Age of 10. In November 2025, the suspect was arrested and booked into the Harris County Jail.

This investigation not only led to the successful apprehension of a dangerous offender but also helped protect numerous vulnerable children from further exploitation. Detective Carlos Sandoval's unwavering commitment to investigating ICAC cases has been instrumental in the ongoing fight against child exploitation.